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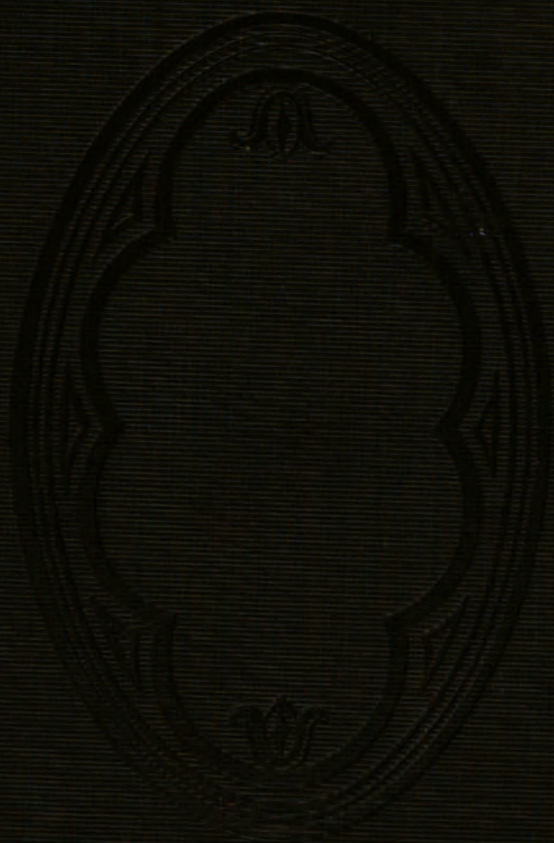
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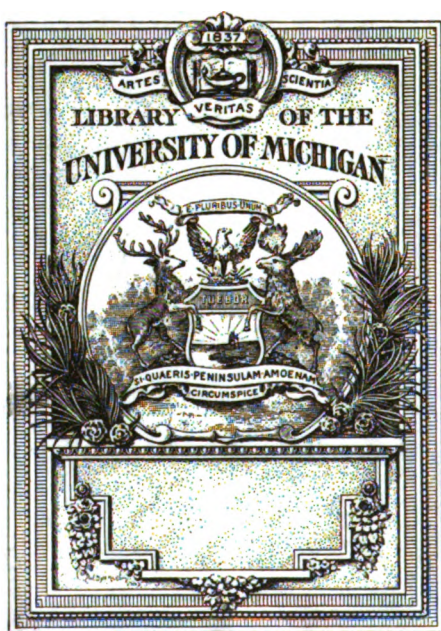
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At a General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, begun and holden at Boston on the first Wednesday, being the fourth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and the ninety-fifth of the independence of the United States of America, the following members elect of the Senate, having been duly summoned by the Executive, appeared, to wit:

Messrs. Rufus S. Frost, of Chelsea, of the	First	} Suffolk Districts.
Alonzo W. Boardman, of Boston, of the	Second	
William D. Park, " "	Third	
Horace H. Coolidge, " "	Fourth	
James A. Fox, " "	Fifth	
and Patrick A. Collins, " "	Sixth	
Messrs. Wm. H. Caswell, of Marblehead, of the	First	} Essex Districts.
Daniel E. Safford, of Hamilton, " "	Second	
N. S. Kimball, of Haverhill, " "	Third	
Orlando B. Tenney, of Georgetown, " "	Fourth	
and Frederick Willcomb, of Ipswich, " "	Fifth	
Messrs. William B. Long, of Charlestown, of the	First	} Middlesex Districts.
James Pierce of Malden, " "	Second	
Estes Howe, of Cambridge, " "	Third	
James W. Clark, of Framingham, " "	Fourth	
John Fletcher, Jr., of Acton, " "	Fifth	
George P. Elliot, of Billerica, " "	Sixth	
and George F. Richardson, of Lowell, " "	Seventh	
Messrs. Adin Thayer, of Worcester, of the	First	} Worcester Districts.
J. H. Wood, of Grafton, " "	Second	
A. J. Bartholomew, of Southbridge, " "	Third	
Baxter D. Whitney, of Winchendon, " "	Fourth	
and Henry C. Greeley, of Clinton, " "	Fifth	
Messrs. Timothy F. Packard, of Monson, of the	First	} Hampden Districts.
and Edwin Chase, of Holyoke, " "	Second	
Messrs. Shepard Thayer, of Adams, of the	Berkshire	} Districts.
Andrew J. Clark, of Orange, " "	Franklin	
S. M. Crosby, of Williamsburg, " "	Hampshire	
and Richard Goodman, of Lenox, " "	Berkshire	
	and Hampshire	

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Messrs. George H. Monroe, of Boston,	of the	First	} <i>Norfolk Districts.</i>
T. L. Wakefield, of Dedham,	"	Second	
and Francis W. Bird, of Walpole,	"	Third	
Messrs. James G. Sproat, of Wareham,	of the	First	} <i>Plymouth Districts.</i>
Jacob Bates, of E. Bridgewater,	"	Second	
and Amasa Whiting, of Hingham,	"	Norfolk and Plymouth	
Messrs. Stephen H. Rhodes, of Taunton,	of the	First	} <i>Bristol Districts.</i>
John A. Hawes, of Fairhaven,	"	Second	
and Chas. P. Stickney, of Fall River,	"	Third	
Messrs. N. E. Atwood, of Provincetown,	of the	Cape	} <i>Districts.</i>
and Charles Bradley, of Tisbury,	"	Island	

And were called to order at 11 o'clock, A. M., by the Hon. George P. Elliot, senior member elect.

Quorum.

Whereupon, Messrs. Bird, Richardson and Collins were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and Council, and inform them that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and ready to be qualified.

Subsequently, Mr. Bird, from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor and Council would forthwith be in readiness to administer the oaths of office to the members elect of the Senate.

Soon after, the Governor and Council came in, and the Senators elect severally took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the constitution of the Commonwealth and a law of the United States, to qualify them to discharge their duties as Senators for the current political year.

The Governor and Council then withdrew.

President

On motion, Messrs. Hawes, Crosby and Boardman were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes for President of the Senate.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that the Hon. Horace H. Coolidge, of the Fourth Suffolk District, was elected.

And Mr. Coolidge having been conducted to the chair by Messrs. Rhodes and Monroe, signified his acceptance of the office, and entered upon the discharge of its duties.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Clerk.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to collect, assort and count the votes for Clerk of the Senate.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Stephen N. Gifford, of Duxbury, was elected; and he, being present, was qualified by taking the following oath:—

"You, Stephen N. Gifford, Clerk of the Senate, do solemnly swear that you will faithfully and impartially enter all the votes and proceedings of the Senate, and that in all things relating to your office you will act faithfully and impartially, according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

"And you further swear to support the constitution of the United States. So help you God."

On motion, Messrs. Fox, A. J. Clark and Hawes were appointed a committee to inform the Governor and Council of the organization of the Senate.

On motion, Messrs. Collins, Goodman and Bartholomew were charged with a similar message to the House of Representatives.

On motion it was ordered that the Senate proceed forthwith to the election of Sergeant-at-Arms. Sergeant-at-Arms.

And thereupon, Messrs. Rhodes, Thayer of Berkshire, and Park were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes therefor.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Hon. John Morissey of Plymouth, was elected.

And Mr. Pierce was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, informing that branch of the election of Mr. Morissey.

A message was received from the House announcing the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. Harvey Jewell of Boston as Speaker, and William S. Robinson of Malden as Clerk. House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That the rules and orders of the Senate of last year be observed until otherwise ordered. Rules and Orders of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Fox,—

Ordered, That the joint rules and orders of the two branches of last year be observed until otherwise ordered. Joint Rules and Orders.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Sproat,—

Ordered, That Friday next at 11½ A. M. be assigned for the choice of Chaplain of the Senate. Chaplain.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth came in and laid upon the table the returns of votes for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor, and Attorney-General. Governor, Lieut-Governor, &c.

And said returns were committed to a joint special committee, to consist of Messrs. Howe, Thayer of Berkshire, Sproat, Park and Whitney, of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

And Messrs. Phillips of Salem, McDuffie of Cambridge, Crane of Dalton, Walcott of Cambridge, Parsons of Bridgewater, and Fitzgerald of Boston, are joined.

Councillors.

The Secretary also laid upon the table the returns of votes for Councillors in the several Councillor Districts of the Commonwealth, and the same were referred to a joint special committee, to consist of Messrs. Wakefield, Collins and Whiting, of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

And Messrs. Sanford of Taunton, Fallon of Boston, Hopkinson of Bradford, Wight of Springfield, Osborn of Fall River, Jernegan of Edgartown, and Cushman of Medfield, are joined.

Senators.

The Secretary also laid upon the table the returns of votes for Senators in the several Senatorial Districts of the Commonwealth, and said returns were referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Thayer of Worcester, Boardman, Willcomb, Fletcher and Thayer of Berkshire.

Geo. M. Stearns.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of George M. Stearns, of Chicopee, claiming to be entitled to the seat at the Board, occupied by Edwin Chase, of Holyoke, of the 2d Hampden District; and said petition was referred to the special committee having charge of the returns of votes for Senators in the several Senatorial Districts of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb,—

Newspapers.

Ordered, That the Clerk furnish daily newspapers, not exceeding ten in number, to be kept under his direction, for the use of members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Seats.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to arrange the seats of members of the Senate.

And Messrs. Atwood, Monroe and Pierce were appointed said committee.

Rules and Orders.

On motion, it was ordered that a committee be appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the Senate.

And Messrs. Monroe, Crosby and Fox were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the two branches. Joint Rules and Orders

And Messrs. Monroe, Crosby and Fox were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, and Messrs. Kimball of Boston, Train of Boston, Kellogg of Pittsfield, Baker of Beverly, Adams of Quincy, Cogswell of Salem, Tarbox of Lawrence, Woodbury of Boston, and Sanford of Taunton, are joined.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Franklin,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered. Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Hawes,—

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to wait upon the Governor and Council, and inform them that the two branches are now ready to attend public worship. Public worship.

And Messrs. Hawes, Greeley and Bates were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, and Messrs. Train of Boston, Hill of Waltham, Parker of Lancaster, Everett of Rowe, Taft of Williamstown, Mulligan of Paxton, and Fairbanks of Fall River, are joined.

Subsequently, Mr. Hawes, from the above named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he, with the Council, would join the two branches forthwith in attendance upon public worship.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 5, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Atwood, from the special committee appointed in relation to the subject, reported the following Seats.

Arrangement of Seats.

CHAIR.

Right.

1. GEORGE P. ELLIOT.
2. ESTES HOWE.

Left.

1. NATHANIEL E. ATWOOD.
2. GEORGE H. MONROE.

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Right.

3. JOHN FLETCHER, JR.
4. JAMES PIERCE.
5. JAMES A. FOX.
6. STEPHEN M. CROSBY.
7. JAMES G. SPROAT.
8. HENRY C. GREELEY.
9. FREDERICK WILLCOMBE.
10. N. S. KIMBALL.
11. DANIEL E. SAFFORD.
12. WILLIAM B. LONG.
13. SHEPARD THAYER.
14. CHARLES BRADLEY.
15. ADIN THAYER.
16. F. W. BIRD.
17. RUFUS S. FROST.
18. AMASA WHITING.
19. BAXTER D. WHITNEY.
20. WILLIAM H. CASWELL.

Left.

3. ANDREW J. CLARK.
4. ORLANDO B. TENNEY.
5. PATRICK A. COLLINS.
6. JACOB BATES.
7. STEPHEN H. RHODES.
8. JOHN A. HAWES.
9. CHARLES P. STICKNEY.
10. JAMES W. CLARK.
11. TIMOTHY F. PACKARD.
12. T. L. WAKEFIELD.
13. A. J. BARTHOLOMEW.
14. J. H. WOOD.
15. ALONZO W. BOARDMAN.
16. GEO. F. RICHARDSON.
17. WILLIAM D. PARK.
18. EDWIN CHASE.
19. RICHARD GOODMAN.

And the report was accepted.

Governor,
Lieut-Gov-
ernor, &c.

Mr. Howe, from the joint special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers, submitted the following report:—

It appears from the returns that

For Governor.

WILLIAM CLAFLIN, of Newton, has seventy-nine thousand five hundred and forty-nine votes.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, of Quincy, has forty-eight thousand five hundred and thirty-six votes.

WENDELL PHILLIPS, of Boston, has twenty-one thousand nine hundred and forty-six votes.

J. Q. ADAMS, of Boston, has one hundred and forty-four votes.

All others have sixty-two votes.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

JOSEPH TUCKER, of Lenox, has eighty-one thousand and forty votes.

JAMES CHATTAWAY, of Springfield, has forty-seven thousand three hundred and thirty-two votes.

HENRY W. BISHOP, of Lenox, has twelve thousand six hundred and thirty-two votes.

ELIPHALET TRASK, of Springfield, has eight thousand six hundred and ninety-two votes.

JOHN CHATTAWAY, of Springfield, has one hundred and fifty-seven votes.

LUTHER CHATTAWAY, of Springfield, has sixteen votes.

All others have fifty-eight votes.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

OLIVER WARNER, of Northampton, has eighty-one thousand six hundred and ninety-two votes.

LUTHER STEPHENSON, Jr., of Hingham, has fifteen thousand eight hundred and seventeen votes.

STILLMAN B. PRATT, of Randolph, has nine thousand five hundred and fifty-one votes.

GEORGE S. BALL, of Upton, has eight thousand one hundred and sixty-six votes.

STILLMAN B. PRATT, of Boston, has one thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight votes.

LUTHER STEPHENSON, of Hingham, has one thousand nine hundred and eleven votes.

LUTHER STEVENSON, Jr., of Hingham, has twenty-nine thousand and forty votes.

S. B. PRATT, of Randolph, has eight hundred and forty-seven votes.

S. R. PRATT, of Randolph, has thirty votes.

LUTHER STEVENSON, of Quincy, has three hundred and twenty-two votes.

LUTHER STEPHENSON, of Randolph, has one vote.

STILLMAN PRATT, of Randolph, has one vote.

LUTHER STEPHENSON, Jr., of Quincy, has two hundred and sixty votes.

LUTHER STEVENS, Jr., of Hingham, has two hundred and forty votes.

All others have seventy-three votes.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

CHARLES ADAMS, Jr., of North Brookfield, has eighty-one thousand three hundred and thirty-six votes.

LEVI HEYWOOD, of Gardner, has forty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety votes.

NATH'L W. STODDARD, of North Bridgewater, has eight hundred and forty-one votes.

N. W. STODDARD, of North Bridgewater, has eleven thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven votes.

JOHN I. BAKER, of Beverly, has eight thousand two hundred and thirty-seven votes.

LEVI HEYWOOD, of Worcester, has one hundred and forty-eight votes.

CHARLES ADAMS, of Northampton, has one hundred and seven votes.

All others have seventeen votes.

For Auditor of Accounts.

CHARLES ENDICOTT, of Canton, has eighty-one thousand one hundred and twenty-two votes.

PHINEAS ALLEN, of Pittsfield, has forty-seven thousand four hundred and sixty-seven votes.

EDWARD C. PEABODY, of Groveland, has twelve thousand seven hundred and forty-five votes.

LYMAN W. DAGGETT, of Attleborough, has four thousand and sixteen votes.

L. W. DAGGETT, of Attleborough, has four thousand and seventy votes.

CHARLES ENDICOTT, of Salem, has two hundred and twenty-seven votes.

WILLIAM WIRT WARREN, of Brighton, has thirty votes.

All others have fifteen votes.

For Attorney-General.

CHARLES ALLEN, of Boston, has eighty thousand six hundred and five votes.

WILLIAM W. WARREN, of Brighton, has fourteen thousand two hundred and fifty-seven votes.

W. W. WARREN, of Brighton, has thirty-three thousand and fifty-six votes.

CHARLES COWLEY, of Lowell, has twelve thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven votes.

WHITING GRISWOLD, of Greenfield, has three thousand six hundred and sixty-one votes.

WHITING GRISWOLD, of Springfield, has four thousand three hundred and twelve votes.

CHARLES ALLEN, of Worcester, has seven hundred and seventy votes.

CHARLES ALLEN, of Pittsfield, has thirty votes.

All others have seventy-one votes.

And the following named officers appear by said returns to be duly elected, viz:—

Governor,—WILLIAM CLAFLIN, of Newton.

Lieutenant-Governor,—JOSEPH TUCKER, of Lenox.

Secretary of the Commonwealth,—OLIVER WARNER, of Northampton.

Treasurer and Receiver-General,—CHARLES ADAMS, Jr., of North Brookfield.

Auditor of Accounts,—CHARLES ENDICOTT, of Canton.

Attorney-General,—CHARLES ALLEN, of Boston.

And said report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Thayer, from the special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Senators in the several Senatorial Districts of the Commonwealth, also the petition of George M. Stearns, reported on said petition the following resolve:—

Resolved, That George M. Stearns, of Chicopee, having received a plurality of all the votes cast for Senator in the Second Hampden Senatorial District, at the last State election, is entitled to his seat as Senator from said district. And the report being considered, was accepted, and the resolve accordingly adopted.

Geo. M.
Stearns.

And thereupon, Messrs. Crosby and Boardman were appointed a committee to accompany the Senator to the Governor for the purpose of being qualified.

Subsequently Mr. Crosby, from said committee, reported that the Senator had taken and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him for the duties of the office, and he accordingly took his seat.

A communication was received from the Hon. Jacob H. Loud, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioner of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Sinking Fund, and the same was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Norwich and
Worcester
R. R. Sink-
ing Fund.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of James H. Leland, of Walpole, claiming the right to the seat at the Senate Board now occupied by Hon. Francis W. Bird, of the Third Norfolk District.

James H.
Leland.

Mr. Fox presented a petition of Dexter S. King, of Boston, asking that the seat now occupied by William D. Park, of the Third Suffolk District, may be given to him, claiming that he is entitled thereto by the votes cast in said district.

Dexter S.
King.

And these petitions were referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Rhodes, Thayer of Worcester, Tenney, Goodman and Richardson.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 6, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

A communication was received from Hon. Jacob H. Loud, transmitting the annual report of the Sinking Fund of the Commissioners of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

Councillors.

Mr. Wakefield, from the joint special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Councillors in the several Councillor Districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report by which it appeared that the following named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

District No. 1, MARSHALL S. UNDERWOOD, of Dennis.

“ 2, WILLIAM L. REED, of Abington.

“ 3, HENRY G. CROWELL, of Boston.

“ 4, JONAS FITCH, of Boston.

“ 5, JOHN F. HARRIS, of Marblehead.

“ 6, JONATHAN B. WINN, of Woburn.

“ 7, ELIJAH B. STODDARD, of Worcester.

“ 8, SYLVANDER JOHNSON, of Adams.

And said report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Paper from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Marshall S. Underwood, William L. Reed, Henry G. Crowell, Jonas Fitch, John F. Harris, Jonathan B. Winn, Elijah B. Stoddard and Sylvander Johnson, that they have been elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government, during the current political year.

Governor.

On motion of Mr. Howe,—

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. William Claflin that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Lieutenant Governor.

Also to inform the Hon. Joseph Tucker that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

And Messrs. Howe, Stickney and Frost were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

And Messrs. Bates, of Beverly, Heywood, of Gardner, Ruffin, of Boston, Barnard, of Worcester, Lewis, of Weymouth, Nichols of Cambridge, and Thompson, of Gloucester, are joined.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the election of Chaplain of the Senate, and it appearing on the third ballot that there was no choice, but that the Rev. Samuel W. Foljambe, of Malden, had a plurality of votes, on motion of Mr. Crosby, that gentleman was declared to be the Chaplain of the Senate for the current political year.

And thereupon, the Clerk was directed to notify Mr. Foljambe of his election.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, January 7, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Joint Rules
and Orders.

Mr. Monroe, from the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the two branches, reported, recommending the adoption of the rules and orders of the last year, with the following amendments:

In Rule 1, strike out the words, "and no member of any committee shall receive compensation for personal service on such committee, during the session of the Legislature."

"No member of either House shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature."

In Rule 2, strike out the words, "within sixty days from the commencement of the session."

And the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Hon. Jacob H. Loud, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioners of the Western Railroad Loan Sinking Fund, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Western
R. R. Loan
Sinking
Fund.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, from the special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Senators in the several Senatorial Districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon by which it appeared that the following named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

Senators.

Messrs. Rufus S. Frost, of Chelsea,	in the First	} Suffolk Districts.
Alonzo W. Boardman, of Boston,	" Second	
William D. Park,	" Third	
Horace H. Coolidge,	" Fourth	
James A. Fox,	" Fifth	
and Patrick A. Collins,	" Sixth	
Messrs. William H. Caswell, of Marblehead,	in the First	} Essex Districts.
Daniel E. Safford, of Hamilton,	" Second	
N. S. Kimball, of Haverhill,	" Third	
Orlando B. Tenney, of Georgetown	" Fourth	
and Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich,	" Fifth	
Messrs. William B. Long, of Charlestown,	in the First	} Middlesex Districts.
James Pierce, of Malden,	" Second	
Estes Howe, of Cambridge,	" Third	
James W. Clark, of Framingham,	" Fourth	
John Fletcher, Jr., of Acton,	" Fifth	
George P. Elliot, of Billerica,	" Sixth	
and George F. Richardson, of Lowell,	" Seventh	
Messrs. Adin Thayer, of Worcester,	in the First	} Worcester Districts.
J. H. Wood, of Grafton,	" Second	
A. J. Bartholomew, of Southbridge,	" Third	
Baxter D. Whitney, of Winchendon,	" Fourth	
and Henry C. Greeley, of Clinton,	" Fifth	
Messrs. Timothy F. Packard, of Monson,	in the First	} Hampden Districts.
and George M. Stearns, of Chicopee,	" Second	
Messrs. Stephen M. Crosby, of Williamsburg,	in the H'pshire	} Districts.
Andrew J. Clark, of Orange,	" Frank'n	
Richard Goodman, of Lenox,	" B'kshire	
and Shepard Thayer, of Adams,	and H'pshire in the B'kshire	
Messrs. George H. Monroe, of Boston,	in the First	} Norfolk Districts.
T. L. Wakefield, of Dedham,	" Second	
and Francis W. Bird, of Walpole,	" Third	
Messrs. James G. Sproat, of Wareham,	in the First	} Plymouth Districts.
James Bates, of E. Bridgewater,	" Second	
and Amasa Whiting, of Hingham,	" Norfolk and Plymouth	
Messrs. Stephen H. Rhodes, of Taunton,	in the First	} Bristol Districts.
John A. Hawes, of Fairhaven,	" Second	
and Charles P. Stickney, of Fall River,	" Third	
Messrs. Nath'l E. Atwood, of Provincetown,	in the Cape	} Districts.
and Charles Bradley, of Tisbury,	" Island	

And the report was accepted.

Governor
and Lieut-
Governor.

Mr. Howe, from the joint special committee appointed to inform the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor of their election, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he, with the Lieutenant-Governor, would attend upon the Legislature for the purpose of taking and subscribing the

oaths of office, at such hour this day as may be designated by the two branches.

And the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A message was received from the House, proposing a convention of both branches, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Thereupon the Senate concurred in the proposition of the House.

And the Clerk was charged with a message informing the House thereof.

And, pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in

Convention,

For the purpose above specified, and Messrs. Crosby, Rhodes and Boardman, of the Senate, and Messrs. Merriam of Leominster, Walworth of Newton, Lombard of Chelsea, Griggs of Boston, and Wyer of Wellfleet, of the House, were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in convention for the purpose of administering the oaths of office required by the constitution, and a law of the United States, to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their respective offices.

Soon after, the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, came in accompanied by the committee, and severally took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

The Governor, thereupon, submitted to the two Houses an address upon the general concerns of the Commonwealth.

The two branches separated.

On motion of Mr. Fox,—

Ordered, That 10,000 extra copies of the Governor's Address be printed for the use of the Legislature.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that a quorum of the Council elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Thereupon, on motion, the Clerk was charged with a message to the House, proposing a convention of the two branches forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such Councillors elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House,

Governor
and Lieut-
Governor.

Governor's
Address.

Council.

announcing the concurrence of that branch in the above proposition.

And pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in

Convention,

For the purpose above specified, and Messrs. Hawes and Wood of the Senate, and Messrs. Cogswell of Yarmouth, Guild of Somerville, Osborn of Fall River, Stedman of Boston, and Brown of Lowell, of the House, were appointed a committee to wait upon the Councillors elect and inform them that the two branches are now in convention, and in readiness to administer the oaths of office required to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their office.

Council.

Soon after, Messrs. Marshall S. Underwood, William L. Reed, Henry G. Crowell, Jonas Fitch, John F. Harris, Jonathan B. Winn, Elijah B. Stoddard and Sylvander Johnson came in and severally took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

Paper from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary give notice to the Governor that Messrs. Marshall S. Underwood, William L. Reed, Henry G. Crowell, Jonas Fitch, John F. Harris, Jonathan B. Winn, Elijah B. Stoddard and Sylvander Johnson, have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the executive department of the Government for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Governor's
Address.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed to consider and report what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address.

And Messrs. Monroe, Crosby and Fox were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate,

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

And Messrs. Kimball of Boston, Train of Boston, Baker of Beverly, Adams of Quincy, Phillips of Salem, Tarbox of Lawrence, Cogswell of Salem, Sanford of Taunton, and Woodbury of Boston, are joined.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet on Monday next at 2 o'clock, P. M., and that that be the hour of meeting daily, except on Saturday, when it shall be 11 o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

A communication was received from the Hon. Jacob H. Loud, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Massachusetts School Fund.

Mr. Monroe, from the special committee appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the Senate, submitted a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the rules and orders of last year, with sundry amendments, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Rules and Orders.

Papers from the House.

A report of the joint special committee appointed to consider and report what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address, was accepted in concurrence, and in accordance therewith, it was

Governor's Address.

Ordered, That so much thereof as relates to the Hoosac Tunnel, be referred to the standing committee on that subject.

So much thereof, as relates to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, to a joint special committee to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to the railroads of the Commonwealth, to the committee on Railways.

So much thereof as relates to savings banks (except that relating to the taxation thereof), to the committee on Banks and Banking.

So much thereof as relates to the State Prison and the Prison Commissioners, to the committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to State Charities and to the Asylum for Inebriates, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

So much thereof as relates to the militia, to the committee on Military Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to the State Police, to a joint special committee to consist of two on the part of the Senate and five on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to Agriculture, to the committee on that subject.

So much thereof as relates to the Inland Fisheries, to the committee on Fisheries.

So much thereof as relates to Education and the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, to the committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to laws affecting the rights of women, in regard to their property and children, to a joint special committee consisting of the committees on the Judiciary of the Senate and House.

So much thereof as relates to the Labor Question, to a joint special committee to consist of three on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to improvements in Cape Cod Harbor, to the committee on Harbors.

So much thereof as relates to Commerce and National Affairs, to the committee on Federal Relations.

So much thereof as relates to the taxation of Savings Banks, to the committee on Expenditures.

So much thereof as relates to the construction of roads, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Rules and
Orders.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the only matter therein being the report of the special committee on preparing Rules and Orders for the government of the Senate, the same was considered, and the 25th rule thereof was adopted and the report was laid on the table.

Standing
Committees.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:—

On the Judiciary.—Messrs. Wakefield, Richardson, Boardman, Sproat, and Thayer, of Worcester.

On Probate and Chancery.—Messrs. Fox, Bartholomew and Safford.

On the Treasury.—Messrs. Crosby, Stickney and Whitney.

On Printing.—Messrs. Fletcher, Kimball and Wood.

On Bills in the Third Reading.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Safford, Richardson, Sproat, and Thayer of Berkshire.

On Engrossed Bills.—Messrs. Thayer of Worcester, Whit-
ing and Packard.

On Leave of Absence.—Messrs. Bates, Caswell and Park.

Joint Stand-
ing Commit-
tees.

The President also announced the following Joint Stand-
ing Committees:—

On Agriculture.—Messrs. Bates and Goodman,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Taft of Williamstown, Gates of Worcester, Twombly of Winchester, Hutchinson of Sutton, and Hubbard of Hatfield, are joined.

On Banks and Banking.—Messrs. Crosby and Clark of Franklin,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Pew of Gloucester, Harris of Charlestown, Pierce of Newburyport, Hersey of Chelsea, and Mason of Winchendon, are joined.

On Claims.—Messrs. Tenney and Whiting,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Chisholm of New Bedford, Johnson of Dana, James of Boston, Barker of Dartmouth, and Pratt of Boston, are joined.

On Education.—Messrs. Monroe and Bartholomew,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Putnam of Boston, Hill of Waltham, Washburn of Boston, Baldwin of Worcester, and Vibbert of Rockport, are joined.

On Federal Relations.—Messrs. Elliot and Stickney,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Kellogg of Pittsfield, Johnson of Boston, Boomer of Fall River, Thompson of Gloucester, and McDuffie of Cambridge, are joined.

On the Fisheries.—Messrs. Atwood and Bradley,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Davis of Boston, Besse of Wareham, Goodspeed of Barnstable, Carney of Boston, and Hume of Amesbury, are joined.

On Harbors.—Messrs. Collins, Goodman and Frost,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Parker of Lancaster, Tuttle of Boston, McKim of West Roxbury, Bonney of New Bedford, Hopkinson of Bradford, Nowell of Boston, Southworth of West Springfield, and Cotton of Charlestown, are joined.

On the Library.—Messrs. Tenney, Hawes and Packard,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Lewis of Mansfield, Tirrell of Weymouth, and Davis of Dudley, are joined.

On Manufactures.—Messrs. Clark of Franklin, and Fletcher,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Parsons of Bridgewater, Walworth

of Newton, Guild of Somerville, Davis of Lawrence, and Crane of Dalton, are joined.

On Mercantile Affairs.—Messrs. Greeley and Frost,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Merrill of Boston, Fuller of Cambridge, Baker of Dennis, Corliss of Gloucester, and Lincoln of Boston, are joined.

On Insurance.—Messrs. Rhodes and Clark of Middlesex,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Putnam of Worcester, Ober of Boston, Adams of Hyde Park, Shaw of Middleborough, and Newell of Boston, are joined.

On Military Affairs.—Messrs. Fox and Hawes,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Daniels of Peabody, Hovey of Boston, Fearing of Hingham, Pearl of Boston, and Ross of Holden, are joined.

On Parishes and Religious Societies.—Messrs. Elliot and Safford,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Everett of Rowe, Flagg of Orange, Richardson, of Sturbridge, Lyford of Rowley, and Wheeler of Concord, are joined.

On Prisons.—Messrs. Thayer of Berkshire, and Clark of Franklin,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Beard of Brookline, Bullard of Dedham, Babbitt of Taunton, Wyer of Wellfleet, and Thompson of Woburn, are joined.

On Public Charitable Institutions.—Messrs. Monroe and Pierce,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Kellogg of Pittsfield, Hill of Waltham, Stedman of Boston, Parmenter of Cambridge, and Poor of Boston, are joined.

On Public Lands.—Messrs. Hawes and Bradley,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Arnold of Northampton, Moore of Boston, Calley of Salem, Cooley of Springfield, and Franklin of Boston, are joined.

On Railways.—Messrs. Bird, Howe and Stearns,
Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Sanford of Taunton, Adams of Quincy, Towne of Fitchburg, Phillips of Salem, Barker of Adams, Fairbanks of Fall River, Anderson of Lowell, and Barnard of Worcester, are joined.

On Horse Railways.—Messrs. Willcomb, Greeley and Long,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Hurd of Framingham, Russell of Malden, Wight of Springfield, Cornell of New Bedford, Lamson of Boston, Brown of Lowell, Smith of Duxbury, and Currier of Melrose, are joined.

On Roads and Bridges.—Messrs. Sproat and Wood,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Neal of Lynn, Eames of Wilmington, Metcalf of Medway, and Jernegan of Edgartown, are joined.

On the State House.—Messrs. Atwood and Park,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Flood of Boston, Burr of Boston, McKinstry of Southbridge, Tucker of Milton, and Kendall of Athol, are joined.

On Towns.—Messrs. Rhódes and Kimball,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Johnson of Provincetown, Mulligan of Paxton, Quigley of Southampton, and Going of Boston, are joined.

On the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad.—Messrs. Pierce, Clark of Franklin, and Thayer of Berkshire,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Kimball of Boston, Lombard of Chelsea, Goodrich of Fitchburg, Johnson of Boston, Folsom of Lowell, Osborn of Fall River, Arnold of Pembroke, and Burnap of Dunstable, are joined.

The President also announced the following Joint Special Committees:—

Joint Special
Committees.

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the Question of Labor.—Messrs. Caswell, Long and Packard,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Colby of Newburyport, Bower of Lawrence, Walton of Wakefield, Howe of Marlborough, Wallace of Lowell, Nutt of Natick, Davie of Plymouth, and Harlow of Abington, are joined.

On so much of said Address as relates to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.—Messrs. Wakefield, Crosby and Boardman,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Train of Boston, Kimball of Boston, Adams of Quincy, Baird of Lee, Wales of North Bridgewater, Duell of Brookfield and Parkhurst of Chelmsford, are joined.

On so much of said Address as relates to a State Police.—
Messrs. Fox and Willcomb,

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Fitzgerald of Boston, Brimhall of Clinton, Cushman of Amherst and Scribner of Lowell, are joined.

Paper from the House.

Joint Rules
and Orders.

The report of the joint special committee on the joint rules and orders of the two branches, came up concurred with an amendment striking from Rule first, seventh line from the last, the words, "three members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House," and inserting instead thereof, the words, "the committee on the Treasury, of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of the House." And the amendment was adopted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Saul B. Scott
et als.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of Saul B. Scott and others, for the removal of depots at the City Mills Station on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad.

James T.
Burnap et
als.

Mr. Fletcher presented a petition of James T. Burnap and others for authority to build a railroad from Dunstable to Concord.

Fitchburg
R. R. Co.

Also a petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, for authority to construct a side track in the town of Watertown.

D. H. Dyer
et als.

Severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Stickney presented a petition of D. H. Dyer and others, for an act of incorporation as the Weetamoe Mills.

Chas. P.
Stickney et
als.

Also a petition of Charles P. Stickney and others, for an act of incorporation as the Stafford Mills.

Worcester
Gas Light
Company.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of the Worcester Gas Light Company for authority to increase its capital stock.

Lenox Glass
Company.

And Mr. Goodman presented a petition of the Lenox Glass Company for the same authority.

Anson
Hardy, Jr.,
et als.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of Anson Hardy, Jr., and others, that a portion of the town of Medway may be annexed to the town of Norfolk.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Caswell presented a petition of Isaac C. Wyman and others, for an act of incorporation as the Marblehead Savings Bank.

Isaac C.
Wyman et
als.

Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. Atwood presented a petition of Frederick Lowell and others, and J. B. Hall and others, severally for a modification of the laws relating to pilotage.

Frederick
Lowell et al.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of Josiah Quincy and others, that the railways terminating in Boston may be required to run cheap trains for the accommodation of the working classes.

Josiah
Quincy et
als.

Referred to the committee on Railways and ordered to be printed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Crosby, the petition of Josiah Quincy and others, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's address as relates to the finances of the Commonwealth be referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Governor's
Address.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Treasury be directed to make up the mileage of the members of the Senate for the present session of the General Court.

Mileage of
senators.

Mr. Tenney presented a petition of Robert C. Winthrop and another, for authority to sell certain real estate.

Robert C.
Winthrop et
al.

Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for authority to lay a new main pipe from the Chestnut Hill reservoir through Beacon Street to the city of Boston.

Mayor of
Boston.

The same senator presented a petition of the same for the passage of an act authorizing the taking of lands for a public park, in the city of Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The reports of the commissioners of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company, Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, Western Railroad Company, and the report of the commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund, were severally taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Norwich and
Worcester
R. R. Co.
Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R. Co.
Western
R. R. Co.
Massachu-
setts School
Fund.

*Papers from the House.*Cattle Com-
missioners.

A report of the cattle commissioners was referred in concurrence to the committee on Agriculture, and one thousand extra copies thereof ordered to be printed.

List of Com-
mittees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches, cause to be prepared a list of the committees in suitable memorandum form, for the use of the members of the Legislature.

Jeremiah
Stone et als.

A petition of Jeremiah Stone and others for the establishment of a Five Cent Savings Bank in the town of Provincetown, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Somerset
Coöperative
Foundry Co.

A petition of the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company for authority to build a wharf in Somerset;

L. M. Brock
et al.

And a petition of L. M. Brock and another, for authority to build a wharf in Nahant, were referred to the committee on Harbors.

Edwin Mills
et als.

A petition of Edwin Mills and others, for an act of incorporation as the Somerville High School Association, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mayor of
Boston.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for the annexation of the city of Charlestown to said city, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Josiah G.
Peabody et
als.

A petition of Josiah G. Peabody and others, for an act of incorporation as the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in Lowell;

Eastern
Yacht Club.

And a petition of the Eastern Yacht Club, of Boston, for an act of incorporation, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Oren S.
Knapp et
als.

A petition of Oren S. Knapp and others, for authority to build a horse railroad from North Cambridge to Boston, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

Senate Rules
and Orders.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the report of the special committee appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the Senate, was further considered, amended in that part relating to the 11th Rule, and accepted.

The amendments proposed by the committee, and adopted, are as follow:—

Rule 3, strike out the word "any" in the last line.

Rule 5, last line, strike out the words, "in favor of it," and insert in place thereof the words, "shall so direct."

Rule 8, second line, strike out all after the word "President," and insert, "shall designate which of these shall be entitled to the floor."

Rule 10, insert at the beginning, "in case of a vacancy in the office of President or," and in the fifth line, after the word "a" insert "President or a." Senate Rules and orders.

Rule 11 was amended so as to read as follows: "Every member when he speaks, shall stand in his place and address the President."

Substitute the following for Rule 16: "Any motion shall be reduced to writing if the President shall so direct."

Rule 17, strike out all after the word "motion," in the fourth line to the word "and" in the sixth line, and insert in place thereof, "if made on the same day, shall be placed first in the orders of the day, for the day succeeding that on which it is made; but if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered."

Rule 22, strike out all after the word "quorum," in last line but one, and insert "without his presence."

Rule 23, sixth line, strike out the words, "under any circumstances."

Rule 28, third line, strike out the word "made," and insert "placed in," and in the fourth line, strike out "order" and insert "orders."

Rule 32, third line, strike out the words, "this Board," and insert "the Senate;" also strike out the word "Board" wherever it occurs, and insert in place thereof, the word "Senate."

Rule 33, seventh line, strike out the words "and after entering upon," and insert, "after being placed in."

Substitute the following for Rule 34:

All bills and resolves involving an expenditure of public money, shall, after their first reading, be referred in course to the committee on the Treasury, whose duty it shall be to report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth.

Rule 35, strike out the word "compare" and insert "ascertain," and in fourth line, strike out, "with" and insert "to," and in the fourth and fifth lines, strike out "relating to," and insert "upon," and in sixth line, strike out "in the technical" and insert "correct in;" also in this section strike out all after the word "from," in the sixth line.

Rule 36, third line, strike out the words "strictly to examine the same," and insert, "carefully to compare the same with the bill as passed to be engrossed;" also strike out "any" in the sixth line.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 12, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Chas. N.
Does et als.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of Charles N. Does and others for an act of incorporation as the "Boston Turnverein."

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Uriah B.
Fisk et als.

Mr. Atwood presented a petition of Uriah B. Fisk and others for a modification of the laws relating to pilotage.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Cary Im-
provement
Company.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the Cary Improvement Company, for authority to manufacture brick.

Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

D. H. Dyer
et als.

Mr. Stickney presented a petition of D. H. Dyer and others, for authority to construct a wharf in Fall River.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Concerning
trials.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by statute, that in all trials of issues of fact, the question of whether there is any or sufficient evidence to maintain the issue, shall be for the jury, and not for the court;

Detention of
juries.

Also, that said committee inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary to prevent juries from being unreasonably detained on account of disagreement.

On motion of Mr. Hawes,—

Special
charters.

Ordered, That all applications of special charters, shall be examined by the committee to which they are referred, and if found the petitioners can be incorporated under statutes of 1870, chapter 224, concerning manufacturing and other corporations, such committee shall report upon such petition, leave to withdraw.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Railroad
crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railways inquire what, if any, further legislation is necessary for the protection of travellers where railroads cross highways at grade.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Common
railways.

Ordered, That the committee on Railways be authorized in any hearing before them, to send for persons and papers.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Election
sermon.

Mr. Long, from the special committee appointed to present the thanks of the Senate to Rev. Charles E. Grinnell, for his able discourse before the government of the Common-

wealth on the 4th instant, submitted a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following order :

Ordered, That 4,000 copies of election sermon be printed for the use of the Legislature, 200 copies of which shall be for the use of the preacher of the sermon.

And the report was accepted, and the order was referred to the committee on Printing under the rule.

Mr. Stearns introduced certain resolves in relation to the annexation of Dominica to the United States ; and the same were read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Joint Rules and Orders, be requested to consider the expediency of adopting a joint rule requiring standing committees to accompany their reports with a statement of facts upon which such reports were based ;

Also that the committee on Education consider the expediency of making vocal music one of the regular branches of study in the public schools of this Commonwealth.

A petition of the Exchange Insurance Company of Lynn, for authority to change its location to the city of Boston, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

A petition of A. H. Evans and others, for authority to build a horse railroad from Everett to Chelsea ;

And a petition of William C. Lovering and others for an extension of time within which to construct the Taunton Street Railway Company, were referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

A petition of J. H. Orne and others, for an act of incorporation as the Marblehead Savings and Loan Institution ;

And a petition of J. G. Peabody and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the easterly part of Lowell ;

And a petition of Milton M. Fisher and others, for an act of incorporation as the Medway Savings Bank, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of Thomas J. Tolman and others, for authority to build a dam with flood gates across North and South Rivers in Plymouth County, for the purpose of draining and reclaiming lands, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of Edward Howland and others, for the protection of shell fisheries in the town of Dartmouth, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

San Domin-
go.

Joint Rules
and Orders.

Vocal music.

Exchange
Insurance
Co. of Lynn.

A. H. Evans
et als.

William C.
Lovering et
als.

J. H. Orne
et als.

J. G. Pea-
body et als.

Milton M.
Fisher et als.

Thomas J.
Tolman et
als.

Edward
Howland et
als.

Boston.

A petition of Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, in behalf of the city of Boston, for relief from the payment of assessment on account of displacement of tide-water by the construction of Atlantic Avenue, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Geo. H. Phelps et als.

A petition of George H. Phelps and others, for an act of incorporation as the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Alexander Blaikie et als.

A petition of Alexander Blaikie, for the repeal of an act confirming the incorporation of the Meeting-House in Federal Street in the town of Boston, passed June 15, 1805; and

Hugh Douglass.

A petition of Hugh Douglass, in relation to the Federal Street Church property; and

Wm. Denton et als.

A petition of William Denton and others, for an act of incorporation as the American Liberal Tract Society, were referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A. St. John Chambré.

A petition of A. St. John Chambré, for a change of name of the Dean Academy, was referred to the committee on Education.

H. J. Coolidge.

A petition of H. J. Coolidge for a compensation for services rendered in collecting and arranging certain special laws of the Commonwealth; and

Thomas Doyle.

A petition of Thomas Doyle, for compensation for injuries received while in the employment of the Commonwealth, on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad; and

Nathaniel Freeman.

A petition of Nathaniel Freeman, for payment of interest on bill for work done on the State House, were severally referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally in concurrence.

Report of railroad commissioners.

The annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Harvey A. Woods et als.

A petition of Harvey A. Woods and others for the incorporation of a new town from parts of the towns of Groton, Littleton and Shirley, by the name of Groton Junction, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally in concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting the annual reports of

Report of Constable of Commonwealth. Surgeon-General of Commonwealth. Commissioners on Inland Fisheries. Inebriate Asylum.

The Constable of the Commonwealth;
The Surgeon-General of the Commonwealth;
The Commissioners on Inland Fisheries;

A report of the commission appointed to consider the expediency of establishing an Asylum for Inebriates; and these reports were severally laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs, consider the expediency of amending chapter 289 of the Acts of 1869, so that the par value of the shares of Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association may be reduced.

Lynn Odd
Fellows' Hall
Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,—

Ordered, That Tuesday next, January 17, at 2½ o'clock P. M., be assigned for the choice of a Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years.

U. S.
Senator.

On motion of Mr. Howe,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that whenever any person elected to any civil office in the State, shall die before the commencement of his term of office, a new election may be held to fill the vacancy so occurring.

Concerning
elections in
certain cases.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for authority to lay out and widen Beacon Street, through the town of Brookline to the Chestnut Hill Reservoir; also

Boston.

A petition of the same for authority to widen Beacon Street westerly from Gloucester Street, Western Avenue westerly from Beacon Street, and Brighton Avenue north-westerly from Beacon Street.

ib.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The same senator presented a petition of Barbara H. Channing and others, for aid in behalf of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners, at Dedham.

Barbara H.
Channing et
als.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for authority to purchase or otherwise take lands and flats for a ferry landing in Boston.

Boston.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Mr. Long presented a petition of Henry T. Delano and others, in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others.

Henry T.
Delano et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of George Howe and others, for an act of incorporation as the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company of Boston.

George Howe
et als.

Referred to the committee on Insurance.

James H.
Leland.

Mr. Rhodes, from the special committee on the petition of James H. Leland, claiming the right to the seat now occupied by Hon. F. W. Bird, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Mileage.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the order to make up the mileage of the members of the Senate for the present session, reported thereon a schedule of the same, and an order for the payment thereof; and the report was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, and ordered to be printed.

Edwin Chase.

Mr. Crosby, from the same committee, reported a resolve in favor of Edwin Chase; and the same was read three times under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Roads of the
Common-
wealth.

A communication was received from the secretary of the Board of Agriculture, transmitting a statement of the results of certain inquiries in relation to the roads of the Commonwealth, authorized by Resolve 1870, chapter 61, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the House.

Worcester.

A bill concerning the election of mayor in the city of Worcester, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills,

Railroads.
Framingham
and Lowell
R. R. Co.

To regulate the location of railroads;
To authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds;

Were severally read and referred to the committee on Railways.

American
fishing ves-
sels.

A resolution upon the seizure of American fishing vessels, was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Severally in concurrence.

Sale of dis-
eased meat,
&c.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture inquire forthwith if any further legislation is necessary to prevent the sale of diseased meat, or the sale of milk from diseased cows, and report as early as possible; also,

School dis-
trict system.

That the committee on Towns inquire into the expediency of amending the act of last year concerning the re-establishment of the school district system, by striking from the first section of the act the words, "two-thirds," and inserting instead thereof, the words, "a majority."

The following order was read ;

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Address as relates to intoxicating liquors, be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of seven on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate. Intoxicating
liquors.

And the question being stated on adopting the order in concurrence, it was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,
Bradley,
Fletcher,
Hawes,
Richardson,
Thayer, A.,
Whiting,

Bates,
Clark, A. J.,
Frost,
Kimball,
Safford,
Thayer, S.,
Whitney,

Bird,
Elliot,
Greeley,
Rhodes,
Tenney,
Wakefield,
Willcomb.—21.

NAYS—Messrs. Boardman,
Collins,
Goodman,
Monroe,
Pierce,
Wood.—16.

Caswell,
Crosby,
Howe,
Packard,
Sproat,

Clark, J. W.,
Fox,
Long,
Park,
Stearns,

So the order was adopted in concurrence, and the President took time to appoint.

A petition of the town of Somerville to be incorporated as a city, was referred to the committee on Towns. Somerville,
town of.

A petition of the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Company, for authority to build its road to tide-water, and to increase its capital stock ; and New Bedford
and Taunton
R. R. Co.

A petition of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company, for authority to build a branch in Princeton, for extension to Winchendon, for an extension of time within which to locate and construct its road, and also for a joint interest in the Union Depot at Worcester ; and Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R. Co.

A petition of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company, for authority to extend its road to Boston, were severally referred to the committee on Railways. Mass. Cen-
tral R. R. Co.

A petition of Charles H. Stewart and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Franklin ; and Charles H.
Stewart et
als.

A petition of Hiram Parker and others for authority to establish a savings bank in the city of Lowell, were severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. Hiram
Parker et als.

A petition of Edward S. Philbrick, for compensation for services as agent of the State under the act of 1869, granting aid to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, was referred to the committee on Claims. Edward S.
Philbrick.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for authority Mayor of
Boston.

to open the public library in said city on Sundays, was referred to the committee on Education.

Beverly Ins.
Co.

A petition of the Beverly Insurance Company, for a renewal of charter, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

John G.
Palfrey et
als.

A petition of John G. Palfrey and others, in aid of that of Oren S. Knapp and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

Isaac Liver-
more et als.

A petition of Isaac Livermore and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of erecting a public hall in the city of Cambridge; and

W. B.
Spooner et
als.

A petition of W. B. Spooner and others, for an act of incorporation as the New England Shoe and Leather Association; and

Nehemiah
Gibson et als.

A petition of Nehemiah Gibson and others, for a change of the laws in relation to pilotage, were severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally in concurrence.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, January 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Worcester.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill concerning the election of mayor in the city of Worcester without amendment, and the same was read twice under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently, said bill came up engrossed, and the same passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Taxes, assess-
ment of.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the assessment of taxes on stock in trade, shall be made on the average amount of stock held on — day of each month in the year.

Old Colony
and Newport
Railway Co.

Mr. Bates presented a petition of the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company for confirmation of its location over the Mount Hope Branch and Granite Railway, and for authority to construct a railway from some point on said Granite Railway; also for a revival of certain acts of the year 1848; also, for authority to increase its capital stock.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for authority to sell certain lands. Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Frost, on leave, introduced a resolve in favor of the ship-building interests of the country, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Shipbuilding.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate order, authorizing the committee on Railways to send for persons and papers, came up concurred, with an amendment providing for authority to call upon the Attorney-General to appear in behalf of the Commonwealth when loans or the credit of the State are asked by persons or corporations, and the same was adopted in concurrence. Committee on Railways.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railways consider the expediency of providing by law for the free passage over all railroads in the Commonwealth, of the members of the Legislature of each year, during the year for which they may be elected; also, to consider the expediency of prohibiting all free passes to the members of the Legislature; also Free passes on railroads to members of the legislature.

That a joint special committee of eight on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider all constitutional amendments that may be proposed, including the amendment proposed by the last Legislature, with so much of the Governor's Address as relates to biennial sessions of the Legislature; also, that said committee consider the expediency of amendments providing for the election of representatives for two years, one-half each year, and for senators to be elected for three years, one-third each year, and that they report upon the expediency of holding a Constitutional Convention to consider these and other amendments that may be proposed, Constitutional amendment, etc.

And the President took time to appoint.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 38, section 7, of the General Statutes, concerning evening schools. Evening schools.

A petition of the First Presbyterian Church, in Boston, for confirmation of certain proceedings, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. First Presbyterian Church in Boston.

A petition of the Workingmen's Hall Association, of Boston, in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others, was referred to the committee on Railways. Workingman's Hall Association of Boston.

J. M. W.
Yerrinton.

A petition of J. M. W. Yerrinton for compensation for services in reporting evidence in the hearing before the committee on Railways, upon the petition of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, in 1869-70; and

Wm. E.
Shaw.

A petition of Wm. E. Shaw, of Shrewsbury, for State aid on account of certain military services, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Roger H.
Levitt et als.

A petition of Roger H. Leavitt and others, of Charlemont, for a change in the boundary line between said town and the town of Rowe, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Edward At-
kinson et als.

A petition of Edward Atkinson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Brookline Savings Bank; and

John T.
Manning et
als.

A petition of John T. Manning and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Winchester, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Severally in concurrence.

Mileage.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the only matter therein, being the report of the committee on the Treasury on the mileage of the members of the Senate, was accepted, and it was accordingly

Ordered, that there be allowed and paid to the several members of the Senate, the sums set against their respective names in the schedule hereto annexed, as mileage at the present session of the Legislature, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three hundred and fifty-five dollars.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 16, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Boston Pier
or Long
Wharf.

Mr. Boardman, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Boston Pier or Long Wharf, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That His Excellency the Governor, be requested to lay before the Legislature, copies of all decrees issued by the Supreme Judicial Court or any justice thereof, relating to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, reported,

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

A resolve concerning the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury, and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the House.

A petition from John Williams and others, for an act of incorporation as the Hyde Park Gas Light Company, was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

John Wil-
liams et als.

A petition of Charles Hamant and others, for the removal of the depot of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company in Medfield to the junction of the Mansfield and Framingham Railroad, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Charles
Hamant et
als.

Petitions of the trustees of the Boston Theological Seminary, and the Boston University, for authority to unite, were referred to the committee on Education.

Boston Theo-
logical Semi-
nary.
Boston Uni-
versity.
Isaac Liver-
more et als.

A petition of Isaac Livermore and others, for an act of incorporation as the Cambridge Hospital, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition of the Plymouth County Agricultural Society, for authority to hold additional real and personal estate, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Plymouth
County Agri-
cultural So-
ciety.

A petition of the town of Norfolk for a change in the boundary line between that town and the town of Wrentham, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of Nor-
folk.

Severally in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn to-morrow it be to meet on Wednesday, at 11½ o'clock A. M.

Adjourn-
ment.

A petition of George A. Marsden and others, that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, was referred in concurrence to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Geo. A. Mar-
sden et als.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing the Election Sermon, reported that

Election Ser-
mon.

the same ought to be adopted; and the report was accepted, and the order was accordingly adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rhodes,—

Dexter S.
King.

Ordered, That the special committee having charge of the petition of Dexter S. King, be authorized to send for persons and papers in the hearing before them.

Commission-
ers of the
County of
Worcester.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of the Commissioners of the county of Worcester, for authority to borrow money for the purpose of building a new jail.

Referred to the committee on Prisons.

N. E. Hos-
pital for
women and
children.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, for a grant from the State in aid of said institution.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institu-
tions.

Henry F.
Pitman et
als.

Mr. Safford presented a petition of Henry F. Pitman and others, for authority to construct a railroad from Lynn to Marblehead.

Richard
Laundry et
als.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of Richard Laundry and others, in aid of the petition of Josiah Quincy and others.

Lancaster R.
R. Co.

Mr. Greeley presented a petition of the Lancaster Railroad Company, for authority to contract with certain other rail-
road companies.

Mr. Fletcher presented petitions of

Moses Tay-
lor et als.
O. G. Sar-
gent et als.
J. M. Fletch-
er et als.

Moses Taylor and others;
Charles G. Sargent and others; and
John M. Fletcher and others, severally in aid of that of
James T. Burnap and others.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Harvey Ar-
nold and Co.
et als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Harvey Arnold and Company and others, for the passage of a law requiring inspection and test of water-wheels.

Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Public Li-
braries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Educa-
tion consider the expediency of providing by law that the
city governments of the several cities, and the selectmen of
the several towns in the Commonwealth in which are or may
be public libraries, be authorized to place in the public libra-
ries for the better use of the citizens, such books, reports and
laws as have been or may be received from the Common-
wealth.

A petition of Eliza L. Freeland, guardian for John L. and Franklin G. Mandeville, for State aid in their behalf, was referred to the committee on Claims. Eliza L. Freeland.

A petition of M. Hittinger and others, in aid of that of Oren S. Knapp and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways. M. Hittinger et als.

A petition of the School Committee of Worcester and others, for the establishment of a Normal School in the county of Worcester, was referred to the committee on Education. School Committee of Worcester et als.

A petition of Thomas F. Nugent and others, that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the subject of Labor. Thomas F. Nugent et als.

A petition of John H. Mackie and others, in aid of that of the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Company; and John H. Mackie et als.

A petition of George A. Wilson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Newton and Brighton Branch Railroad Company were severally referred to the committee on Railways. Geo. A. Wilson et als.

A remonstrance of Israel H. Sherman and others, against the petition of Thomas J. Tolman and others, was referred to the committee on Agriculture. Israel H. Sherman et als.

Severally in concurrence.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the election on its part, of a Senator in the Congress of the United States, for the term of six years from the fourth of March next; and the roll being called, the senators present voted as follows, to wit:— Senator of the U. S.

For HENRY WILSON, of Natick,—

Messrs. Atwood,
Bartholomew,
Clark, J. W.,
Elliot,
Frost,
Hawes,
Long,
Pierce,
Safford,
Tenney,
Wakefield,
Willcomb.—34.

Bates,
Bradley,
Coolidge,
Fletcher,
Goodman,
Howe,
Monroe,
Rhodes,
Sproat,
Thayer, A.,
Whiting,

Bird,
Clark, A. J.,
Crosby,
Fox,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Packard,
Richardson,
Stickney,
Thayer, S.,
Whitney,

For JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, of Quincy,—

Messrs. Boardman,
Wood.—4.

Collins,

Park,

For WENDELL PHILLIPS, of Boston,—

Mr. Caswell.—1.

And HENRY WILSON, of Natick, was declared to be elected on the part of the Senate, a Senator in the Congress of the United States, for the term of six years from the 4th of March next.

Thereupon, the Clerk was charged with a message to the House, proposing a Convention of the two branches to-morrow at 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of comparing the records of the same, to ascertain if an election has been made in accordance with a law of the United States.

Assistant
Clerk.

A communication was received from the Clerk announcing that he had appointed Mr. Hilton F. Hosmer, Assistant Clerk of the Senate for the present session; and his appointment being ratified by the Senate, he was qualified by taking the requisite oaths of office.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Neponset
Bank of Can-
ton.

Mr. Wakefield, on leave, introduced a bill to revive the Neponset Bank, of Canton, for certain purposes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Committee
on Public
Charitable
Institutions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit such institutions in the Commonwealth at such times as they may deem expedient.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders were read and referred to the committee on Printing:—

The following, offered by Mr. Atwood:

Report of
Commission-
ers on In-
land Fish-
eries.

Ordered, That five thousand additional copies of the report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries, be printed for the use of the Legislature, and one thousand extra copies for the use of the Commissioners.

The following, by Mr. Thayer of Berkshire:

Ordered, That six hundred copies of the annual report of the Constable of the Commonwealth be printed, three hundred of which shall be placed at the disposal of said officer. Report of the Constable of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Treasury consider the expediency of constituting the treasury of the Commonwealth a bank of deposit for sums of not less than one thousand dollars. Treasury.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery, inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary relating to the custody of minor children by the mother, in case of the death of the father. Minor children.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of George C. Paine and others, in aid of that of Josiah Quincy, Jr., and others. George C. Paine et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The President appointed as the joint special committee on the part of the Senate, on the order of reference of so much of the Governor's address as relates to intoxicating liquors, Messrs. Hawes, Monroe and Safford. Intoxicating liquors.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Vibbert of Rockport, Tarbox of Lawrence, Tuttle of Boston, Richardson of Sturbridge, Shepard of Canton, Bridgman of Belchertown, and Bates of Attleborough, are joined.

The President also appointed Messrs. Bird, Goodman and Howe as the joint special committee on the part of the Senate, on the order in relation to Constitutional amendments. Constitutional amendments.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Barker of Beverly, Kellogg of Pittsfield, Woodbury of Boston, Train of Boston, Adams of Quincy, Hall of Springfield, Smith of Phillipston, and Howard of Sandwich, are joined.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of an act for the establishment of County Asylums for Inebriates. Inebriates.

Petitions of

William Fairbanks and others;

A. S. Harding and others;

O. A. Mason and others; and

Milton M. Fisher et als.

Milton M. Fisher et al. J. N. Tourtellotte and others, severally for the establishment of a savings bank in Medway ; and

William T. Thatcher et al. A petition of William T. Thatcher and others for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Hyde Park, were severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Edwin Mills et al. A petition of the town officers of the town of Somerville, in aid of that of Edwin Mills and others, was referred to the committee on Education.

C. L. Wilder et al. A petition of C. L. Wilder and others, for authority to construct a railroad from some point on the Worcester and Nashua Railroad in Lancaster, to some point on the Fitchburg Railroad, in the town of Leominster ; and

New Bedford and Taunton R. R. Co. Petitions of Lorenzo Fisher and others ; Thomas Bradley and others ; and Joseph Brownell and others, severally in aid of that of the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Company, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Town of Medford. A petition of the town of Medford, for authority to build a bridge across Mystic River, in that town, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Saml. Fowler et al. A petition of Samuel Fowler and others, for an act of incorporation as the Westford Water Works ; and

Pilotage. Petitions of Neri Chase and others ; George H. Hinckley and others ; and

Franklin Nickerson and others, severally for a modification of the laws relative to pilotage, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

U. S. Senator. A message was received from the House, announcing the concurrence of that branch in the proposition of the Senate for a Convention of the two Houses this day, for the purpose of comparing the records of the same, to ascertain if an election has been made of a senator in Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the 4th of March next ; and

At the hour assigned, the two branches met in

Convention

For the purpose above specified, and the journals of the two Houses having been read, it appeared that Hon. Henry Wilson, of Natick, had been chosen, and declaration thereof having been made, the two branches separated.

Paper from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches notify His Excellency that Henry Wilson, of Natick, has been duly elected by the Legislature, a Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the 4th of March, 1871.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 19, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture inquire whether the disease referred to in the report of the Commissioners on Contagious Diseases among cattle as Epizootic Aphtha or foot and mouth disease, is of such contagious and virulent character as to require, or justify special legislation to check or exterminate it; whether all known cases of such disease can be traced to contagion, or whether it has in any cases sprung up spontaneously, and whether any sporadic cases have occurred; whether any evidence exists that the disease is communicated through the soil with such certainty or probability, that the Commonwealth ought to assume the expense of removing the soil in the cattle yards at Brighton, or elsewhere; and if so, where the soil thus infected can, on the theory of contagion, with safety be placed; whether the disease has been fatal, and if so, in how many cases; whether there is any evidence that the disease affects the quantity or quality of the milk of cows, and whether it affects the quality of beef as food, and generally to make any inquiries and to report any facts which may throw light upon the question, whether the panic existing in the community in relation to this disease has any just foundation, and whether the disease is of so dangerous a character as to necessitate the interference with the business and comfort of large classes of the people, resulting from the exercise of the extraordinary powers conferred by law upon the Cattle Commissioners, and the selectmen of towns.

Contagious
diseases
among cat-
tle.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the resolve concerning the Boston, Hartford and Erie Rail-

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

road Company, without amendment, and the same was read twice under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Charles P. Stickney and others, reported

Stafford
Mills.

A bill to incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River.

Framingham
and Lowell
R. R. Co.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds, reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Howe, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, reported

Safety
switches in
railroads.

A bill requiring safety switches to be placed in the main lines of railroads; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Election of
officers.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to further legislation respecting the election of officers to fill vacancies occasioned by the death of one who dies before the commencement of the term of office to which he was elected, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Construction
of deeds.

Mr. Wakefield, on leave, introduced a bill to aid in the construction of deeds, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Ship-owners.

Mr. Frost offered a resolve in favor of ship-owners, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Am. Con-
gregational
Association.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the American Congregational Association, for authority to hold additional real and personal estate.

Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Anthony C.
Gardner et
als.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of Anthony C. Gardner and others, relating to the preservation of fish in Neponset River.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Alpheus Swallow and others, for an act of incorporation as the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company.

Mr. Park presented a petition of E. M. Chamberlain and others, and a petition of John T. Dodge and others, severally in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others.

E. M. Chamberlain et
als.
John T.
Dodge et als.

Severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A report of the committee on Towns, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to amendment of the act of last year, providing for the re-establishment of the school district system, and that the same be referred to the committee on Education, was accepted in concurrence.

School district system.

A petition of Simpson Hart and others, in aid of that of the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Company; and

Simpson
Hart et als.

A petition of the Boston and Lynn Union Railway Company, for amendment of its charter, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Boston and
Lynn Union
Railway Co.

A petition of James Lee and others, that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a days work, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

James Lee et
als.

A petition of the Berkeley Street Hotel Company, for an act of incorporation; and

Berkeley St.
Hotel Co.

A petition of J. D. Richards and others, for an act of incorporation as the Union Building Association of North Attleborough; and

J. D. Richards et
als.

A remonstrance of William H. Harrington and others, against any change of the laws in relation to pilotage, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Wm. H. Harrington et
als.

A petition of Samuel Smith and others, for change of boundary line between the towns of Granby and South Hadley, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Samuel
Smith et als.

Severally in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company, reported

Somerset Coöperative
Foundry Co.

A bill to authorize the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company to extend their wharf in Somerset, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Securities in
the hands of
the Treas-
urer.

Mr. Crosby from the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to examining the securities in the hands of the Treasurer, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that they find all moneys, notes, bonds, stocks and securities to agree with the schedule thereof.

The committee also recommend the adoption of the following order:—

Plates and
printed im-
pressions of
bonds.

Ordered, That a committee of two on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed and instructed to superintend the destruction of all plates from which have been struck bonds of the Commonwealth, the issue of which has ceased, and all printed impressions of bonds which are not to be issued.

And the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Evening
schools.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the order relative to amending the General Statutes respecting evening schools, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
Commission-
ers on In-
land Fish-
eries.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain copies of the report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries, reported that the order should be adopted, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Cathedral
Fire Ins. Co.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Cathedral Fire Insurance Company, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Caswell offered the following order, which was read and referred to the joint committee on Printing:—

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

Ordered, That the Bureau of Statistics of Labor be authorized to present its report for the year 1870, in print.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire,—

Committee
on Prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such institutions in the Commonwealth at such times as they may deem expedient.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Apprentic-
ing minor
children.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inquire if any further legislation is expedient with regard to the apprenticing of minor children from charitable institutions.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on amendments to the Constitution, consider the expediency of so amending the same, as that justices of municipal, police and district courts may be appointed, commissioned and sworn for a term of years instead of during good behavior. Concerning justices of municipal, police and district courts.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary or expedient, relating to the limitation of the time for enforcing the forfeiture of estates for breach of condition in the deeds of conveyance. Forfeiture of estates.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing section four of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, relating to the maintenance of bastard children. Bastard children.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of Daniel Denny and others, in aid of that of the Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham. Daniel Denny et als.

Mr. Elliot presented a petition of the inspectors of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, for an appropriation for the purpose of building a new hospital. Inspectors of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of P. B. Brigham and others, for the annexation of the city of Charlestown and the town of Somerville to the city of Boston. P. B. Brigham et als.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Intoxicating Liquors, consider the expediency of amending section forty-one of chapter four hundred and fifteen of the Acts of the year 1869, concerning liability of persons unlawfully furnishing liquors. Liquors, furnishing of.

A resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to secure the elective franchise and the right to hold office, to women in this Commonwealth, was read and referred to the committee on amendments to the Constitution. Elective franchise to women.

A bill relating to the sentence of convicts to the State prison, jails and houses of correction, was read and referred to the committee on Prisons. Sentence of convicts.

Physicians' prescriptions.

A bill concerning requirements of physicians' prescriptions by city and town agents, was read and referred to the committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Severally in concurrence.

Stillman W. Grant et als.

A remonstrance of Stillman W. Grant and others against the petition of the town of Norfolk; and

G. Washington Warren et als.

The report on the petition of G. Washington Warren and others (from the files of the last year), were referred to the committee on Towns.

A. H. Evans et als.

A petition of James B. Forsyth and others, in aid of that of A. H. Evans and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

James T. Burnap et als.

A petition of William H. Wood and others, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

North Am. Fire Ins. Co.

A petition of the North American Fire Insurance Company for amendment of charter, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

Samuel Ingalls.

A petition of Samuel Ingalls for authority to build a wharf in the town of Winthrop, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Joseph Derby et als.

A petition of Joseph Derby and others, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Samuel and Robert Hillman.

Petitions of Samuel and Robert Hillman, for aid on account of injuries received by an explosion at the Hoosac Tunnel; and

John Peck.

Petitions of

James A. Douglass.

John Peck; and

James A. Douglass, for State aid on account of military services, were referred to committee on Claims.

Severally in concurrence.

Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River. Safety switches.

The orders of the day were taken up and the bills, To incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River, Requiring safety switches to be placed, under certain circumstances, in the main lines of railroads, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,
Bradley,
Fletcher,
Hawes,
Rhodes,
Stickney,
Wood.—19.

Bird,
Clark, J. W.,
Goodman,
Howe,
Richardson,
Whiting,
Boardman,
Elliot,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Safford,
Willcomb.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Caswell, Clark, A. J.,
Collins, Crosby, Fox,
Long, Monroe, Park,
Pierce, Sproat, Tenney,
Thayer, S., Wakefield.—14.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report, on the order relative to providing for filling a vacancy in a civil office arising from the death of the officer before entering upon the discharge of his duties, was accepted.

Filling vacancies in civil offices.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, January 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the report of the Constable of the Commonwealth, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and the report was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

Report of the Constable of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending so much of chapter 18, section 31 of the General Statutes as relates to the election of assessors and overseers of the poor, so that they may be elected in the manner now provided by law for the election of school committees.

Election of assessors and overseers of the poor.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending and making applicable to towns the provisions of chapter 144 of the Acts of 1863, in regard to the preservation of the ballots cast at elections.

Preservation of ballots.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of the Carney Hospital and Saint Ann's Infant Asylum, for State aid.

Carney Hospital.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Safford presented a petition of the Danvers Savings Bank for reimbursement of certain taxes alleged to have been erroneously paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth.

Danvers Savings Bank.

Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Detention of
juries.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to further legislation to prevent juries from being unreasonably detained on account of disagreement, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
State Board
of Health.

A communication was received from George Derby, M. D., Secretary of the State Board of Health, transmitting the annual report of said board, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The following orders were presented, read and referred to the committee on Printing:—

Ordered, That 7,500 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health be printed; 5,000 copies of which shall be at the disposal of the members of the board, and 2,500 copies shall be numbered and take their place in the public documents for the present year.

Ordered, That 10,000 copies of the report of the State Board of Health be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Statue of
John A. An-
drew.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting a communication from Hon. Wm. Gray, chairman of the committee "appointed to procure and present to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a statue of John A. Andrew in marble," informing the Legislature that the statue had arrived in the city, and the message was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Society for
the Preven-
tion of Cruel-
ty to Ani-
mals.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, asking that the two branches memorialize Congress in relation to the transportation of animals by railroads.

Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Isaac Rich
et als.

A memorial of Isaac Rich and others, proposing to present to the Commonwealth a bust of Hon. George S. Boutwell, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Education.

Appropriation
bill.

A bill making appropriations and providing for the compensation and mileage of members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives and for other legislative expenses, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A bill to change the name of the Boston Musical Hall Association and for other purposes, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Boston Musical Hall Association.

A resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading. Authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money.

A bill to incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association, was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, in concurrence. Malden Masonic Association.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on intoxicating liquors consider the expediency of an act repealing chapters 389 and 390 of the Acts of the year 1870 ; also, Intoxicating liquors.

That the committee of Education consider if any and what legislation is needful to enforce the performance of the duties required of the towns of the Commonwealth by section 36, chapter 38 of the General Statutes ; also, School-houses.

That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of reporting the law limiting savings institutions in their semi-annual dividends to 2½ per cent., and that no savings banks shall declare any extra dividend within five years after they are organized and commence business, and not oftener than two years thereafter. Savings banks.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Raynham and others, for alteration of the laws relating to the fisheries in Taunton Great River, and a petition of Noah Chace and others, severally in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on the Fisheries. Selectmen of the town of Raynham et als.

A petition of J. G. Shaw and others, in aid of that of Charles W. Stewart and others ; and Charles W. Stewart et als.

A petition of George Sheldon and others, in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. Id.

A petition of the city council of the city of Worcester, in aid of that of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company ; and Boston, Barre and Gardner R. R. Co.

A petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company for authority to build a branch road from Mount Tom to East-hampton, were referred to the committee on Railways. Connecticut River R. R. Co.

A petition of A. L. Murdock and others, for an alteration of the laws respecting the use of proxies at annual meetings of life insurance companies, was referred to the committee on Insurance. A. L. Murdock et als.

A petition of the town of Winchester for authority to supply itself with pure water, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Town of Winchester.

William Parsons et als

A petition of William Parsons and others for a change in the "commissioners' line" in Gloucester Harbor, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Boston North End Mission.

A petition of the Boston North End Mission for aid from the State, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Thomas F. Power et als.

A petition of Thomas F. Power and others for a change of the boundary line between Framingham and Natick; and

Sylvester Jewett et al.

A petition of Sylvester Jewett and another for a change in the boundary line between Pelham and Amherst, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Thomas Noonan.

A petition of Thomas Noonan for compensation for injuries to a horse at a military encampment of the last year; and

Horace Peck.

A petition of Horace Peck for State aid, on account of military services of his son, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally in concurrence.

Inebriate Asylum.

The report of the commission on the establishment of an Inebriate Asylum, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Somerset co-operative Foundry Association.

The orders of the day were taken up and the bill to authorize the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Association to extend their wharf in Somerset, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Stafford Mills.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Safety switches in railroads

The bill requiring safety switches to be placed, under certain circumstances, in the main lines of railroads, was read a third time, and Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Bills in the third reading, having reported the same in a new draft, it was ordered to a second reading.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds, was passed over.

The reports

Securities of the Commonwealth.

On the order relative to the examination of the securities of the Commonwealth in the possession of the Treasurer and Receiver-General; and

On the order concerning the amendment of chapter 38 of the General Statutes, in regard to evening schools, were severally accepted. Evening schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

The report on the order relative to printing the report of the commissioners on Inland Fisheries was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted. Inland Fisheries.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amendment of section 4, chapter 72 of the General Statutes, reported

A bill relative to bail in bastardy cases, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading. Bail in bastardy cases.

The same senator on leave, introduced bills,

Concerning suits on recognizances in favor of the Commonwealth; Suits on recognizances.

Concerning bail in criminal cases; and the same were read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Bail in criminal cases.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That the committee on Printing accompany each report upon matters submitted to them with an estimate of the cost of the printing and binding provided for in the order or resolve in question. Estimate of cost of printing.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of reporting an amendment to chapter 2d, section 1, of the General Statutes, looking to the extension or renewal of the limitation upon the tenure of office of the Treasurer and Receiver-General. Tenure of office of the Treasurer.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on Railways be authorized to employ clerical assistance. Committee on Railways, clerical assistance for.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of authorizing corporations formed under Capital stock of corporations.

chapter 224, section 2, of the Acts of 1870, to hold capital stock not exceeding one million dollars.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

G. O. Sanborn et als.

Mr. Howe presented a petition of G. O. Sanborn and others for an Act of incorporation as the Deposit and Trust Company.

Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the current year, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Andrew Bigelow et als.

A petition of Andrew Bigelow and others for authority to build a railroad from the town of Bolton to the city of Worcester; and

William H. Brown et als.

A petition of William H. Brown and others for authority to build a railroad from Pratt's Junction, in the town of Sterling to some point in the town of Princeton, were severally referred to the committee on Railways.

C. R. Goodman et als.

A petition of C. R. Goodman and others, that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the subject of Labor.

F. A. Ferry et al.

A petition of F. A. Ferry and another for confirmation of certain acts of the Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Mayor of the city of Taunton et als.

A petition of the mayor and others, of the city of Taunton, in aid of that of the selectmen of the town of Raynham, relative to the fisheries in Taunton Great River, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Nathaniel Eddy et als.

A petition of Nathaniel Eddy and others for the establishment of a Normal School in the county of Worcester, was referred to the committee on Education.

Severally in concurrence.

Stafford Mills.

Mr. Bird moved a reconsideration of the vote, whereby the bill to incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River, passed to be engrossed, and the motion being considered was laid on the table.

Safety switches in railroads.

The orders of the day were taken up and the bill requiring railroad corporations, in certain instances, to place safety switches upon the line of their roads, was recommitted to the committee on Manufactures.

The resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue, was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money.
Detention of juries.

The report on the order relative to the detention of juries on account of disagreement, was laid on the table.

The bill to authorize the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company to extend their wharf in Somerset, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Somerset coöperative Foundry Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds, was laid on the table.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of the Plymouth Agricultural Society, reported

A bill to authorize the Plymouth County Agricultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Plymouth County Agricultural Society.

Mr. Thayer, of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, on the petition of the commissioners of the county of Worcester, reported

A resolve authorizing the commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money, and the resolve was read and ordered to a second reading.

Commissioners of the County of Worcester.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill to change the name of the Boston Musical Hall Association, and for other purposes, without amendment, and the same was read twice under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Boston Musical Hall Association.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making appropriations and providing for the compensation and mileage of members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives, and for other legislative expenses, reported the same without amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Appropriations.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Nathaniel Freeman, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Nathaniel Freeman.

Report of the
State Board
of Health.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing 7,500 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Goodman,—

Ordered, That the committee on Amendments to the Constitution inquire into the expediency of a provision by which the Legislature shall be prohibited from passing local or special laws in any case for which provision now exists, or shall hereafter be made by any general law.

Rape.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of altering section 26 of chapter 160 of General Statutes, so that the punishment by imprisonment for the offence first named therein, shall be for any term of years or for life, and not absolutely for life.

Manufactur-
ing and other
corporations.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures inquire as to the expediency of striking out the provisions of the Acts of 1870, chapter 224, concerning manufacturing and other corporations, limiting the amount of capital of any company formed for manufacturing, mining, mechanical or chemical purposes, authorized by such act; and also as to the introduction of a section in such act or amendment thereto, by which any such corporation or company heretofore formed, either by special act or under the General Statutes, or such Act of 1870, or which may be formed under such act, may increase its capital stock, and may also extend its business to any other manufacturing, mining, mechanical or chemical business authorized by such Act of 1870, and subject to the provisions and liabilities of said act.

The first and last sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Josiah
Quincy et
als.

Mr. Crosby presented petitions of

H. B. Locke and others;

William P. Greenleaf and others; and

Richard Freeman and others, severally in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others, for the establishment of a coöperative bank.

James T.
Burnap et
als.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. Fletcher presented petitions of

Adelbert Mead and others; and

William Wheeler and others, severally in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others.

Mr. Howe presented a remonstrance of Justin A. Jacobs and others against the petition of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company. Mass. Central R. R. Co.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company, for authority to lease part of its road between Grout's Corner and Brattleborough. Vt. and Mass. R. R. Co.

Severally referred to the committee on Railways.

The same senator presented a petition of the Vermont and Massachusetts Central Railroad Company for compensation for repairs on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, and for abatement of rent. Vt. and Mass. Central R. R. Co.

Referred to the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton, for authority to fill up a portion of Little River in the city of Taunton. Mayor of the city of Taunton.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of Gottlieb F. Burkhardt and others, for an act of incorporation as the Association of the Evangelic Lutheran Church for works of mercy. Gottlieb F. Burkhardt et als.

Mr. Long presented a remonstrance of Bickford Pulsifer and others, against the annexation of the city of Charlestown to the city of Boston. Charlestown and Boston.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A resolve to aid in the suppression of contagious diseases among cattle (on the report of the Cattle Commissioners), was read twice and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Contagious diseases among cattle.

A report of the committee on Towns, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the town of Norfolk, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Town of Norfolk.

A petition of Theodore Otis and others, for authority to build a railroad connecting the Framingham and Mansfield Railroad with the Woonsocket division of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad, was referred to the committee on Railways. Theodore Otis et als.

A petition of the Wellesley Congregational Society, for authority to sell certain land bought for a cemetery, and invest the proceeds in other land for the same purpose, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. Wellesley Congregational Society.

A petition of Henry W. Robinson and others, for an act of incorporation as the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society, was referred to the committee on Agriculture. Henry W. Robinson et als.

William Ingalls and Joseph A. Drew.

A petition of William Ingalls and Joseph A. Drew, that the Governor of this State coöperate with the executive of the State of Maine in urging the payment of the claims against the United States, growing out of the treaty of Washington in 1842, establishing the eastern boundary of Maine, was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Severally in concurrence.

Stafford Mills.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table, and the question being taken, it was carried in the negative.

Bail in bastardy cases.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill relative to bail in bastardy cases was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

The Senate bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates,	Bird,	Boardman,
Clark, J. W.,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
Greeley,	Howe,	Kimball,
Rhodes,	Richardson,	Safford,
Stickney,	Wood.—14.	
NAYS —Messrs. Atwood,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Collins,	Crosby,	Fox,
Frost,	Goodman,	Long,
Monroe,	Packard,	Pierce,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Whitney.—18.

So the bill was rejected.

Edwin Chase.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Edwin Chase (which originated in the Senate), passed, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the order offered by Mr. Boardman relative to the subject, reported

Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association.

A bill in relation to the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Charles N. Does and others, reported

Charles N. Does et al.

A bill to incorporate the Boston Turnverein, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston Turnverein.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to aid in the construction of deeds; and Mr. Boardman from the committee on the bill concerning bail in criminal cases, severally reported that said bills ought not to pass, and the same were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Construction of deeds.
Bail in criminal cases.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, reported a bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Appropriation Bill.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Printing, on the order to authorize the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to report in print, reported that said order should be adopted; and also that 6,000 copies thereof be printed, 1,500 copies to be for the use of the Bureau, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire if it be expedient to provide that all offences shall be punished as the first offence, unless it is alleged in the complaint or indictment that the defendant has been previously convicted; also,

Punishment for offences.

That said committee inquire whether or not it is expedient to abolish the administration of oaths now required by law.

Administration of oaths.

Mr. Howe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds was rejected, and the motion being considered was carried in the affirmative as follows, to wit:

Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Bird,
Clark, J. W.,
Frost,
Howe,
Park,
Safford,
Willcomb,

Bartholomew,
Boardman,
Elliot,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Rhodes,
Stearns,
Wood.—23.

Bates,
Bradley,
Fletcher,
Hawes,
Monroe,
Richardson,
Stickney,

NAYS.—Messrs. Caswell,
Crosby,
Long,
Sproat,
Thayer, S.,
Whitney.—16.

Clark, A. J.,
Fox,
Packard,
Tenney,
Wakefield,

Collins,
Goodman,
Pierce,
Thayer, A.,
Whiting,

And thereupon the bill was recommitted to the committee on Railways.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire,—

Trustee process.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the statutes relating to trustee process, so that judgment and execution may be awarded against persons or corporations adjudged trustees, without a *scire facias*.

Winnisimmet Company.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the Winnisimmet Company for authority to take land to widen its ferry slip.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Eastern Yacht Club.

To incorporate the Eastern Yacht Club (on the petition of the same) ;

Odd Fellows' Hall in the City of Lowell.

To incorporate the proprietors of Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Lowell (on the petition of Josiah G. Peabody and others) ;

Nitro-glycerine.

To regulate the transportation of nitro-glycerine and similar explosives (on the report of the Railroad Commissioners) ;

Railroad trains to be equipped with tools.

Requiring railroad trains to be equipped with tools (on the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

Firewards.

To provide for the appointment of firewards ;

Registers of deeds.

To amend an act concerning registers of deeds, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston Art Club.

A bill to incorporate the Boston Art Club, was read and referred in concurrence to the committee on Education.

Woodcock and quail.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 804 of the Acts of 1870, so as to prohibit the killing of woodcock only between the first day of January and the fourth day of July in each year.

Also of amending same section so as to prohibit the killing of quail only between the first day of January and fifteenth day of October, in each year.

Athol Music Hall Association.

A petition of M. Sawyer and others, for an act of incorporation as the Athol Music Hall Association, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of the Washingtonian Home, for an appropriation to aid in erecting a building for its use, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Washingtonian Home.

A petition of Joel P. Bishop and others, in aid of that of Oren S. Knapp and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways. Joel P. Bishop et al.

A petition of Holmes, Wood and Company and others, of the town of Gill, for authority to place a boom across Connecticut River, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges. Holmes, Wood and Co. et al.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To authorize the Plymouth County Agricultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate ; Plymouth County Agricultural Society.

Making appropriations and providing for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the chaplains, door-keepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives, and for other legislative expenses ; and Appropriations.

The resolve authorizing the Commissioners of the County of Worcester to borrow money, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. County of Worcester.

The resolve to aid in the suppression of contagious diseases among cattle, was amended, and ordered to a third reading. Diseases among cattle.

The report on the order relative to printing certain copies of the annual report of the State Board of Health was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted. State Board of Health.

The Senate report on the petition of Nathaniel Freeman was accepted. Nathaniel Freeman.

Sent down for concurrence..

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of the town of Norfolk, was accepted in concurrence. Town of Norfolk.

The bill relative to bail in bastardy cases, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed. Bail in bastardy cases.

Sent down for concurrence.

An engrossed resolve to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue (which originated in the House), passed and was laid before the Governor for his approval. Authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 26, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Railroad
stations.

Ordered, That the committee on Railways inquire what further power should be conferred, if any, upon railroad corporations to keep their stations safe and free from intruders; and

* On motion of Mr. Collins,—

Railroad cor-
porations.

Also, that said committee inquire what additional legislation, if any, is necessary to secure the prompt prosecution of railroad and other corporations for non-compliance with provisions of law.

On motion of the same senator,—

Inspector
and Assayer
of liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the subject of Intoxicating Liquors, consider the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 415 of the Acts of the year 1869, as provides for the payment of salaries to the Commissioner and the Inspector and Assayer of Liquors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Worcester,—

Liens on
buildings
and lands.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into expediency of amending section 14, chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and lands, so as to allow the clerks of courts to issue orders of notice to the owners of buildings upon which any liens are claimed.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Hampden
County,
court house
in.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of granting the county commissioners of Hampden County, the power to take lands for the court house; also, what other power and rights are expedient to be granted to said board, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire,—

Liens.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 150 of the General Statutes, so that notice shall be given to the debtor as well as the owner of property; also, to consider the expediency of amending said chapter so that liens may be dissolved by the giving of a bond by the property owner.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,—

State map.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Senate be directed to furnish suitable maps of the Commonwealth for the use of the

members of the Senate, at an expense not exceeding fifty dollars.

Mr. Collins offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

Ordered, That 2,500 extra copies of the report of the Harbor Commissioners be printed, 500 for the use of the commissioners, and the remainder for the use of the Legislature. Harbor Commissioners.

Mr. Bartholomew presented a petition of William H. Davis and others for the erection of a new station at the junction of the Boston, Hartford and Erie with the Norwich and Worcester Railroad in the town of Webster. William H. Davis et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, in relation to the taking of land for a public park ; also Mayor of Boston.

On the petition of said city for authority to lay a new main pipe from Chestnut Hill Reservoir through Beacon Street to the city, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the reports being considered under a suspension of the rule, were recommitted with instructions to hear the parties after such notice shall have been given as the committee may direct.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Cambridge Athenæum (on the petition of Isaac Livermore and others) ; and Cambridge Athenæum.

A resolve in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company (new draft of Senate resolve), were read and ordered to a second reading. B., H. and E. R. R. Co.

A report of the State Constable of the number of deputies who receive less than the full statute per diem compensation, was referred to the joint special committee on the subject of State Police, in concurrence. State Constable.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of establishing and supporting a school in the town of Florida, at the eastern mouth of the Hoosac Tunnel, for the benefit of the children of persons employed in the work and residing in the towns of Florida and Rowe. School in the town of Florida.

A petition of Henry Cymon and others for authority to build a railroad from Medfield to Dedham, was referred to the committee on Railways. Henry Cymon et als.

Allen Lock-
wood et als.

A petition of Allen Lockwood and others, that ten hours' labor may be considered a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Middlesex
North Ag-
ricultural
Society.

A petition of Jonathan Ladd and others in behalf of the Middlesex North Agricultural Society for the payment of money due said society as bounty, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Charles Hud-
son et als.

A petition of Charles Hudson and others for an act of incorporation as the Lexington Savings Bank, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Timothy
Murphy.

A petition of Timothy Murphy, for State aid, by reason of injuries received while employed by the State at the Hoosac Tunnel, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Resolutions of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance in favor of the repeal of the liquor law of 1870, and the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1855, was referred to the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Severally in concurrence.

Boston Turn-
verein.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Boston Turnverein was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Clark, A. J.,	Collins,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Fox,	Frost,
Greeley,	Long,	Monroe,
Park,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Richardson,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Willcomb,
Wood.—25.		
NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,
Goodman,	Hawes,	Howe,
Kimball,	Packard,	Safford,
Sproat,	Stearns,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Whitney.—14.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bills,

Lynn Odd
Fellows' Hall
Association.
Eastern
Yacht Club.
Appropriation Bill.
Odd Fellows'
Hall in the
city of Lowell.
Nitro-glycerine,
etc.

In relation to the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association ;

To incorporate the Eastern Yacht Club ;

Making an appropriation for the maintenance of the government during the present year ;

To incorporate the proprietors of Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Lowell ;

To regulate the transportation of nitro-glycerine and similar explosives ;

Requiring railroad trains to be equipped with tools, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Railroad
trains.

The bills,

Concerning bail in criminal cases ;

Bail in crim-
inal cases.
Construction
of deeds.

To aid in the construction of deeds, were, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

The report of the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing the report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, also providing that certain extra copies thereof be printed, was accepted.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the Plymouth County Agricultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Plymouth
County Agri-
cultural So-
ciety.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

County Com-
missioners of
the county of
Worcester.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill making appropriations and providing for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives, and for other legislative expenses ; and

Appropri-
ations.

The resolve to aid in the suppression of contagious diseases among cattle, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment to the latter, which was sent down for concurrence.

Diseases
among cat-
tle.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the detention of juries on account of disagreement, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Detention of
juries.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Edward S. Philbrick, reported that the petitioner have

Edward S.
Philbrick.

leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Danvers Sav-
ings Bank.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Danvers Savings Bank, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the same, and that it be referred to the committee on Claims.

And the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Worcester
South-East
Agricultural
Society.

Mr. Goodman presented a petition of the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society for authority to hold its fairs in various parts of its limits.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Registers of
deeds.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to amend an act concerning registers of deeds, reported the same without amendment, and it was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Ballots in
towns.

Mr. Richardson, from the same committee, on the order relative to amending chapter 144 of the Acts of 1863, reported

A bill concerning the preservation of ballots in towns, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill in addition to an Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Attle-
borough
Branch R. R.
Co.

A bill to increase the capital stock of the Attleborough Branch Railroad Company, was read and referred to the committee on Railways, in concurrence.

Street rail-
roads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Horse Railways consider the expediency of limiting by law the number of passengers carried upon street cars; and also whether it is expedient to provide that a sufficient number of cars to conveniently accommodate the public shall be placed upon any street track controlled by corporations doing business under a charter granted by the Commonwealth; also

Liquor law.

That the special committee having the liquor law under consideration, inquire into the expediency of abolishing the State and town agencies, and submitting the questions of prohibition to the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in this form:—

In each city, in January, the question shall be submitted to the city council, and in each town to the people at their annual meeting in March, "Shall spirituous or intoxicating liquors be sold in the city or town in the year ensuing?"

If they shall vote No, then it shall be the duty of the mayor and aldermen of that city, and of the overseers of the poor and the police, or of the selectmen of the town, and the overseers of the poor and the constables to see that the law is executed.

If they shall decide in the affirmative, then the mayor and alderman of the city, or the people of the town shall next decide by how many persons and in what manner such liquors may be sold; after which they shall proceed to the election of such persons in the cities, by the aldermen on nomination by the mayor, and in the towns by the popular vote, the persons so elected giving bonds for the discreet performance of their duties under the laws relating thereto.

A petition of John C. Upton and others, in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others; and Alpheus Swallow et al.

A petition of E. T. Sawyer and others, that a railroad may be built from Mount Tom to the town of Easthampton; and E. T. Sawyer et al.

A petition of Allen Hancock and others, in aid of that of William H. Davis and others; and Wm. H. Davis et al.

Petitions of

Jacob Smith and others;

Isaac E. Day and others, and S. Lovejoy and others, severally in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others, were referred to the committee on Railways. James T. Burnap et al.

A remonstrance of Albert C. Smith and others, against the opening of the public library in Boston on the Lord's Day, was referred to the committee on Education. Albert C. Smith et al.

A petition of Robert S. Cornell and others, for an amendment of the Act of last year in relation to Hicks's Bridge, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges. Robert S. Cornell et al.

A petition of David Sargent and others, officers of the State Prison, for an increase of salary (from the files of last year), was referred to the committee on Prisons. David Sargent et al.

A petition of the New England Labor Reform League, that public libraries may be opened on Sundays, was referred to the committee on Education. New England Labor Reform League.

A petition of Henry Fowler and others, that certain portions of the towns of Sudbury and Stow may be incorporated as a new town, by the name of "Maynard;" and Henry Fowler et al.

A petition of Benjamin Smith and others, in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Thos. J.
Tolman et
als.

A petition of the town of Marshfield, in aid of that of Thomas J. Tolman and others, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Severally in concurrence.

Cambridge
Athenæum.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Cambridge Athenæum; and

B., H. and
E. R. R. Co.

The resolve in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston Turn-
verein.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Boston Turnverein, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lynn Odd
Fellows' Hall
Association.

The Senate bill in relation to the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Eastern
Yacht Club.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Yacht Club, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations.

The House bills,
Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;

Odd Fellows'
Hall in the
City of Lowell.

To incorporate the proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Lowell;

Nitro-glycerine,
etc.

To regulate the transportation of nitro-glycerine and similar explosives;

Railroad
trains.

Requiring railroad trains to be equipped with tools, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Boston Musical
Hall Association.

An engrossed bill to change the name of the Boston Musical Hall Association, and for other purposes (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, January 28, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Boston Musical
Hall Association.

An act to change the name of the Boston Musical Hall Association, and for other purposes, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Boardman from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill concerning suits on recognizances in favor of the Commonwealth, reported Recognizances.

A bill amendatory of the 9th clause of section 2 of chapter 129 of the General Statutes, relating to pleadings in civil actions. Pleadings in civil actions.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, to whom was committed the bill requiring railroad corporations in certain instances to place safety switches upon the lines of their roads, reported the same in a new draft under the title of Safety switches in railroads.

Bill requiring safety switches in railroads.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill concerning the punishment for rape, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Rape.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amendment of the act respecting the trustee process, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Trustee process.

The same senator from the same committee, on the order relative to abolishing the administration of oaths, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Administration of oaths.

The same senator from the same committee, on the order relative to the assessment of taxes on stock in trade, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and the report being considered under a suspension of the rules, was accepted. Taxes, assessment of.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire as to the expediency of amending section 46 of chapter 124 of the General Statutes, relative to recognizances on bonds; also, Bonds.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That said committee inquire as to the expediency of providing by law for the payment of the services of bail commissioners and others, rendered under chapter 170 of the General Statutes; also, Bail Commissioners.

That said committee inquire as to the expediency of amending the 12th section of the 124th chapter of the General Statutes, in relation to poor debtors' oaths. Poor debtors, oaths of.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the Clerk prepare and cause to be printed and bound, five hundred copies of the Journal of the Senate Senate, Journal.

for the present session, with an index, and such notes, references and other statistical matters as may be necessary ; and that one copy be sent to each member of the present legislature ; thirty copies at the disposal of the President and Clerk ; six copies placed in the State Library ; ten copies at the disposal of the Executive department ; and each of the lobbies and committee rooms supplied in like manner as they are all now supplied with other documents of the Senate and House.

Worcester
Lunatic Hos-
pital.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, that the Worcester and Shrewsbury Street Railway Company may be prohibited from laying its tracks over the ground of said hospital.

Referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Ambrose Lawrence and others, in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Consump-
tives' Home.

A bill to incorporate the trustees of the Consumptives' Home, was read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Intoxicating
liquors.

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, was read and referred to the committee having charge of that subject.

Severally in concurrence.

Mutual Life
Ins. Co. of
Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of extending the time in which to organize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston.

Jacob R.
Lunt.

A petition of Jacob R. Lunt for a hearing in regard to his removal from the office of branch pilot for the harbor of Boston ; and

Pilotage.

A petition of William Lindsay and others, for a modification of the laws relative to pilotage ; and

Town of Wo-
burn.

A petition of the town of Woburn for authority to supply itself with pure water ; and

Jacob B.
Brown et als.

A petition of Jacob B. Brown and others for the transfer of powers now given to the trustees of the Boston Marine Society in the appointment of pilots, to the Boston Board of Trade, were severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

James T.
Burnap et
als.

A petition of Luther Prescott and others, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

A petition of J. E. Pollard and others, in aid of the petition for a savings bank in the town of Franklin, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. J. E. Pollard et als.

A petition of the selectmen and others of Rockport, in behalf of Laura Lane, for aid from the State, on account of the death of her husband who was killed while on his way to the city of Lawrence as a witness for the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Claims. Selectmen of Rockport et als.

A remonstrance of the Elliot Felting Mills and others, against the petition of Saul B. Scott and others, was referred to the committee on Railways. Saul B. Scott et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The communication from His Excellency the Governor, concerning the statue of John A. Andrew, was taken from the table and referred to a joint special committee, to consist of Messrs. Bird and Fox of the Senate, with such as the House may join. Statue of John A. Andrew.

Sent down for concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill concerning the preservation of ballots in towns, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Preservation of ballots in towns.

The report on the petition of Edward S. Philbrick, was passed over. Edward S. Philbrick.

The House bill to incorporate the Cambridge Athenæum; and Cambridge Athenæum.

The House resolve in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. B. H. and M. E. R. Co.

The annual report of the Surgeon-General was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Surgeon-General.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 159 of the General Statutes, concerning bail in criminal cases. Bail in criminal cases.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 30, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

On motion of Mr. Tenney,—

State and
county
taxes.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to secure a more equal apportionment of State and county taxes in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Report of the
Harbor Com-
missioners.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing twenty-five hundred copies of the annual report of the Harbor Commissioners, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Isaac Livermore and others, reported

Cambridge
Hospital.

A bill to incorporate the Cambridge Hospital.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the petition of Robert C. Winthrop and another, reported

Trustees under the will
of William
Winthrop.

A resolve in favor of the trustees under the will of William Winthrop, and the bill and resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Geo. How-
land.

The President presented a memorial of George Howland, of Newport, Rhode Island, in relation to the payment of pensions to the surviving soldiers of the war of 1812, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mass. Wo-
men's Suf-
frage Asso-
ciation.

Mr. Bird presented a memorial of the Massachusetts Woman's Suffrage Association, for an amendment of the Constitution granting the right of suffrage to women.

Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, and ordered to be printed.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance, for the repeal of the present law relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the reënactment of the law in force in the year 1868.

Referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of T. F. Tarbell and others, in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Worcester
Mutual In-
surance Co.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, presented a petition of the Worcester Mutual Insurance Company for amendment of charter.

Referred to the committee on Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing by law for the placing of a copy of the lectures and reports on Education by Hon. Horace Mann, in the public libraries of the cities and towns of the State.

Hon. Horace Mann.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the New England Shoe and Leather Association (on the petition of Wm. B. Spooner and others); and

New England Shoe and Leather Association.

Resolves concerning a bust of Hon. George S. Boutwell (on the memorial of Isaac Rich and others), were read and ordered to a second reading.

George S. Boutwell.

A resolve authorizing the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds (substituted in the House for the Senate order relative to the subject), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Destruction of plates and impressions of bonds.

A petition of Calvin Holman and others, in aid of that of O. L. Wilder and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Calvin Holman et als.

A petition of Mrs. A. Holmquist and others for an act of incorporation as the Swedish Ladies' Association of Boston, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Mrs. A. Holmquist et als.

A petition of Margaret K. Dearborn, for State aid on account of the military services of her husband, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Margaret K. Dearborn.

A petition of Oliver Dean and others, in aid of the petition for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Franklin, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Franklin.

A petition of William B. Wood and others, for the incorporation as a new town from parts of the towns of Southborough, Ashland, Westborough and Hopkinton; and

William B. Wood et als.

A petition of Milo J. Smith and others, that a portion of Northampton may be set off and annexed to the town of Easthampton, were severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Milo J. Smith et als.

A petition of Henry M. Allen and others, for an act of incorporation as the Marion Natural History Society of Marion, was referred to the committee on Education.

Henry M. Allen et als.

Severally in concurrence.

- Annual reports**
- State Prison.** Of the warden and other officers and inspectors of the State prison; and
- Agent for discharged convicts.** Of the agent for discharged convicts, were severally referred to the committee on Prisons.
- Annual reports**
- Natick, Chappaquiddic, Christiantown, Dudley and Troy Indians.** Of the guardians of the Natick and the Chappaquiddic and the Christiantown Indians; and of the Board of State Charities, relative to the support and removal of certain members of the Dudley and Troy Indians; and
- District of Marshpee and Herring Pond Plantation.** Of the treasurers of the district of Marshpee and the Herring Pond Plantation;
- State Almshouse.** Of the inspectors of the State almshouses at Bridgewater, Tewksbury and Monson;
- Idiotic and Feeble-Minded Youth.** Of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble-Minded Youth;
- Lunatic Hospitals.** Of the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospitals at Worcester, Northampton and Taunton;
- Industrial School for Girls.** The State Industrial School for Girls;
- Mass. Nautical School.** The Massachusetts Nautical School; and
- State Reform School.** The State Reform School, were severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.
- Commissioners on Public Lands.** The annual report of the commissioners on Public Lands, was referred to the committee on Public Lands.
- State Library.** The annual report of the librarian of the State Library was referred to the committee on the Library.
- Severally in concurrence.
- Safety switches in railroads.** The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill requiring safety switches in railroads, was read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading.
- Pleadings in civil actions.** The bills,
- Rape.** Amendatory of the 9th clause of section 2, chapter 129 of the General Statutes, relating to pleadings in civil actions; Concerning the punishment for rape, were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- The reports of the committee on the Judiciary, on the orders,
- Administration of oaths.** Relative to the abolishment of the administration of oaths;
- Trustee process.** Relative to the trustee process, were severally accepted.
- Edward S. Philbrick.** The report on the petition of Edward S. Philbrick, was passed over.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 31, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending chapter 18, section 31 of the General Statutes, concerning the election of assessors and overseers of the poor, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Assessors and overseers of the poor.

The same senator, from the same committee, reported the bill to provide for the appointment of firewards, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Appointment of firewards.

On motion of Mr. Kimball,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that the maintaining and repairing of the bridges in the county of Essex, laid out as and for highways, under the provisions of section 8, chapter 309 of the Acts of 1868, be under the direction of the county commissioners for the county of Essex, and that the expense of such maintaining and repairing be paid out of the treasury of said county.

Bridges in the County of Essex.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill in addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, reported that the same ought to pass with the following amendment, to wit:—

Appropriations.

In the appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the State police, strike out the words thirty thousand and insert in place thereof, the words, "One hundred fifty-nine thousand and nine hundred dollars, viz.: for the salary of the constable of the Commonwealth, three thousand dollars; for the compensation of deputies, one hundred eleven thousand nine hundred dollars; for travelling expenses, thirty thousand dollars, and for clerical, incidental and contingent expenses, fifteen thousand dollars," and the bill was read a second time, and the question then recurring on the adoption of said amendment, it was taken by yeas and nays, and was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates,
Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,
Hawes,
Stickney,
Wakefield,
Willcomb.—19

Bradley,
Crosby,
Frost,
Kimball,
Tenney,
Whiting,

Clark, A. J.,
Elliot,
Greeley,
Rhodes,
Thayer, S.,
Whitney,

NAVS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Collins.	Fox,	Goodman,
Howe,	Long,	Monroe,
Packard,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Safford,	Stearns,	Thayer, A.—15.

So the amendment was adopted.

The bill was thereupon ordered to a third reading.

Ball.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the payment of bail commissioners and others, for certain services under chapter 170 of the General Statutes, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Snow and ice, removal of from sidewalks.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges inquire and make report as to the expediency of further legislation in relation to the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, amendatory of chapter 45, section 9 of the General Statutes, or otherwise applying such provisions to towns.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Orders of the day.

Ordered, That hereafter, in the consideration of the orders of the day, undebatable matters be first acted upon.

Henry F. Pitman et als.

Mr. Caswell presented a petition of William Hammond and others, in aid of that of Henry F. Pitman and others.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Jenny Collins et als.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of Jenny Collins and others for an act of incorporation as the Woman's Apprentice Association, and for an appropriation in aid of the same.

Referred to the committee on the Labor Question.

Brock and Swift.

The same senator presented a remonstrance of Welcome W. Johnson and others, against the petition of Brock and Swift.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Commissioners on Inland Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Bradley, the report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Berkeley House Company.

A bill to incorporate the Berkeley House Company (on the petition of the Berkeley Street Hotel Company), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles Mattoon.

A resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles Mattoon, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A resolve in favor of William Washburn and Son (from the files of last year), was referred in concurrence to the committee on Claims.

Wm. Washburn and Son.

A petition of James M. Swallow and others, in aid of the petition of James T. Burnap and others, and a petition of Isaac Flagg and others, in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Railways.

James T. Burnap et als.

A petition of Albert W. Mann, for authority to extend his wharf in Boston, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Albert W. Mann.

A petition of Lorenzo Lawton and others, that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, was referred to the committee on the Labor Question.

Lorenzo Lawton et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The message of the Governor in relation to the statue of the late Governor Andrew came up concurred in the reference thereof to a joint special committee, and the Speaker, with Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Beard of Brookline, Adams of Quincy, Pratt of Braintree, and Paine of Blackstone, are joined on the part of the House.

Statue of Gov. Andrew.

On motion of Mr. Bird, the name of the President was prefixed to the list of the committee, on the part of the Senate.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To incorporate the Cambridge Hospital;

To incorporate the New England Shoe and Leather Association; and

Cambridge Hospital.
N. E. Shoe and Leather Association.

The resolves,

In favor of the trustees under the will of William Winthrop;

Concerning a bust of Hon. George S. Boutwell;

Authorizing the destruction of certain plates and bonds, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Trustees under the will of Wm. Winthrop.
George S. Boutwell.
Destruction of plates and printed impressions of bonds.
Preservation of ballots.

The Senate bill concerning the preservation of ballots in towns, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill concerning the punishment for rape, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Rape.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill amendatory of the 9th clause of section 2, chapter 129 of the General Statutes, relating to pleadings in civil actions, was read a third time, amended in the title by striking therefrom the words, "amendatory of the 9th clause of

Pleadings in civil actions.

section 2, chapter 129 of the General Statutes," and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Harbor Commissioners.

The report on the order for printing extra copies of the report of the harbor commissioners, was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

Edward S. Philbrick.

The report on the petition of Edward S. Philbrick, was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

Registers of deeds.

An engrossed bill to amend an act concerning registers of deeds (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Railroad crossings.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the order in relation to the subject, reported thereon, *in part*.

A bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings.

Mr. Boardman from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order of January 28, relative to the subject, reported

Poor debtors.

A bill concerning the notice to be given by poor debtors.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Edwin Mills and others, reported

Somerville High School Association.

A bill to incorporate the Somerville High School Association.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Cary Improvement Company, reported

Cary Improvement Co.

A bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Cary Improvement Company, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bail in criminal cases.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending section 2, chapter 159 of the General Statutes, concerning bail in criminal cases; and

Bonds.

On the order relative to recognizances on bonds in certain cases, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Anson Hardy et als.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Anson Hardy and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Diseased meat, &c

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the order relative to legislation to prevent the sale of diseased meat, and the sale of milk from diseased cows, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports

were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the House resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles Mattoon without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading. Charles Mattoon, widow of.

Mr. Thayer, of Berkshire, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Bryant Literary Society of Williams College, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Education. Bryant Literary Society of Williams College.

Mr. Bradley presented a petition of Alfred Macy and others, for the protection of shell-fish in certain parts of the island of Nantucket. Alfred Macy et als.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Mr. Whiting presented a remonstrance of Horatio Bigelow and others, against the petition of Thomas G. Tolman and others. Horatio Bigelow et als.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the State House consider the expediency of reporting a bill or resolve, requiring the removal of the panes of glass in Doric Hall, which are in front of the Washington statue and battle-flags, or the doing of other acts which will improve the view of said statue and flags; also Removal of panes of glass in Doric Hall.

That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 304 of the Acts of 1870, so as to prohibit the killing of black duck in the county of Barnstable, between the 15th day of April and the 15th day of November in any year. Black duck.

A petition of John A. Goodwin and others, in aid of that of Oren S. Knapp and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways. Oren S. Knapp et als.

Petitions of

S. D. Negus and others;

John Tubbs and others;

Israel Whitcomb and others; and

S. D. Negus et als.
John Tubbs et als.
Israel Whitcomb et als.
Obed Peck et als.

Obed Peck and others, severally in relation to the location of Zoar Bridge, so called, in the county of Franklin, were referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of Archibald Taft and others, that a part of the town of Sheffield may be annexed to the town of Marlborough, was referred to the committee on Towns. Archibald Taft et als.

Samuel Hol-
ton et als.

A petition of Samuel Holton and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Westfield ; and

S. Cady et
als.

A petition of S. Cady and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Templeton, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Geo. M. Ba-
ker et als.

A petition of George M. Baker and others, for authority to build a dam across Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Merchants'
Ins. Co.

A petition of the Merchants' Insurance Company, for a renewal of charter, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

Severally in concurrence.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Worcester Gas Light Company, reported

Worcester
Gas Lt. Co.

A bill to increase the capital stock of the Worcester Gas Light Company, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Dudley In-
dians.

Mr. Bartholomew presented a petition of the Dudley Indians, for an appropriation for their relief.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills

Firewards.

To provide for the appointment of firewards ;

Berkeley
House Com-
pany.

To incorporate the Berkeley House Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Safety
switches in
railroads.

The Senate bill requiring safety switches in railroads, was read a third time, amended by restoring the portions of the bill stricken out at the last stage, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Cambridge
Hospital.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Cambridge Hospital, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

William Win-
throp.

The Senate resolve in favor of the Trustees under the will of William Winthrop, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

N. E. Shoe
and Leather
Association.

The House bill to incorporate the New England Shoe and Leather Association ; and

The House resolves,

Geo. S. Bout-
well.
Destruction
of plates
and printed
impressions
of bonds.

Concerning a bust of George S. Boutwell ;

Authorizing the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate reports of the committee on the Judiciary, on the orders relative

To the compensation of bail commissioners and others ;

Bail Commissioners.
Assessors and
overseers of
the poor.
Appropriations.

To amending the statutes respecting the election of assessors and overseers of the poor, were severally accepted.

The House bill in addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, was read a third time.

Mr. Monroe proposed an amendment thereto, pending the consideration of which

The Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 2, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, in behalf of the city of Boston, in relation to laying out and widening Beacon Street through the town of Brookline, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Mr. Goodman presented the annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, and the same was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Massachusetts
Agricultural Col-
lege.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The same senator offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

Ordered, That 10,000 copies of the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College be printed, one-half of the number for the use of the trustees of the college, and the remainder for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Long presented a remonstrance of Jonathan Stone and others, against the annexation of the city of Charlestown to the city of Boston.

Jonathan
Stone et als.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to authorize the Whitman and Miles Manufacturing Company of Fitchburg, to increase its capital stock, and to hold real estate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Whitman
and Miles
Manufactur-
ing Co.

New Eng-
land Hos-
pital for Wo-
men and
Children.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, for State aid for the purpose of erecting new buildings, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mass. Cen-
tral R. R.
Co.

A remonstrance of E. R. Morse and others, against the petition of the Massachusetts Central Railway Company ;

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

A petition of C. H. Latham and others, in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others ; and

Josiah
Quincy et
als.

A petition of George W. Robinson and others in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others, for cheap fares upon railroads ; and

Petitions of

George H.
Phelps et als.

George E. Callender and others ;

Isaac H. Bixby and others ;

William P. Hamlin and others ; and

N. A. Waters and others, severally in aid of that of George H. Phelps and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Josiah
Quincy et
als.

A petition of W. P. Anderson and others, in aid of that of Josiah Quincy and others, for the establishment of coöperative banks, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Nathan S.
Davis et als.

A petition of Nathan S. Davis and others of Somerset, in relation to free tickets upon railroads, came up referred to the committee on Railways, and the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the petition was returned to the House.

The following order was offered by Mr. Willcomb, read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

R. R. corpora-
tions.

Ordered, That six hundred additional copies of the annual reports of Railroad Corporations, together with the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

R. R. Com-
missioners.

Also that six hundred copies of the same be placed at the disposal of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Appropria-
tions.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill in addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, the question being on the following amendment, proposed thereto by Mr. Monroe, to wit :—

Strike out the words “ for the compensation and expenses of the state police, one hundred and fifty-nine thousand and nine hundred dollars, viz.: for the salary of the constable of the Commonwealth, three thousand dollars ; for the compensation of deputies one hundred eleven thousand nine hundred dol-

lars; for travelling expenses thirty thousand dollars, and for clerical, incidental and contingent expenses, fifteen thousand dollars," and inserting in place thereof the words, "for the salary of the constable of the Commonwealth, three thousand dollars; and for the compensation, travelling expenses, clerical, incidental and contingent expenses of the State police, a sum not exceeding one hundred and two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars," and said question was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates,	Bird,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Caswell,	Collins,
Elliot,	Fox,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Park,
Rhodes,	Richardson,	Safford,
Sproat,	Stearns,	Tenney,
Wood.—19.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Stickney,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Willcomb —12.

So the amendment was adopted, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Somerville High School Association;

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Cary Improvement Company;

Concerning notice to be given by poor debtors;

To authorize the Worcester Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock, and the resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles Mattoon, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills,

To provide for the appointment of firewards;

To incorporate the Berkeley House Company, were severally read a third time and placed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The reports of the committee on the Judiciary, on the orders

Relative to the sale of diseased meat and the sale of milk from diseased cows;

Diseased meat, etc.

Relative to amendment of section 2, chapter 159 of the General Statutes, concerning bail in criminal cases;

Bail in criminal cases.

Relative to amending section 46, of chapter 124 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances on bonds, were severally accepted.

Recognizances on bonds.

Anson Hardy
et als.

The report of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Anson Hardy and others, was accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Railroad
crossings.

The bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings, was read a third time and amended.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, proposed a further amendment to said bill, pending the consideration of which, a motion was made to commit the same to the committee on the Judiciary, and the question on this motion was determined by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Rhodes,
Richardson,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Whitney,	Willcomb.—14.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Collins,
Howe,	Kimball,	Long,
Park,	Safford,	Stearns,
Tenney,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Wood.—13.		

So the bill was committed to the committee on the Judiciary.

Appropriations.

An engrossed bill; making appropriations and providing for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives, and for other legislative expenses (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 3, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Arson, and
other offences.

Mr. Boardman, on leave, introduced a bill relative to the punishment for arson, burglary and other offences, and the same was read, and under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading.

Framingham
and Lowell
R. R. Co.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to issue bonds, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of.

Bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the petition of Anthony C. Gardner and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Anthony C. Gardner et als.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Board of State Charities, transmitting a report of said board on the accounts of certain guardians and treasurers of former tribes of Indians; and the same was referred to the committee on Claims, and ordered to be printed.

Board of State Charities.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company; and the same was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Blue Hill Land Co.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Harbors.

Duxbury Wharf Co.

Mr. Long presented remonstrances of

George W. Stevens and others and E. A. Williston and others, severally against the annexation of the city of Charlestown to the city of Boston.

George W. Stevens et als.
E. A. Williston et als.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A report of the committee on Manufactures, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of John Williams and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

John Williams et als.

A report of the joint special committee on the Joint Rules and Orders of the two branches, on the order in regard to requiring committees to give a statement of facts upon which such reports as they make are founded, the same being that no rule is required in relation thereto, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Joint Rules and Orders.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the subject of the State Police consider the expediency of repealing chapter 177 of the Acts of 1867; also the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 261 of the Acts of 1866.

State Police.

A petition of E. R. Tinker and others, for the establishment of a Union Passenger Depot at North Adams, and petitions of

E. R. Tinker et als.

Harvey Arnold and others; and

Ib.

James T. Robinson and others, severally in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Thomas M.
Hopkinson
et als.

A petition of Thomas M. Hopkinson and others, for the passage of a law fixing more equal and just rates for season tickets upon railroads, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Milo J.
Smith et als.

A remonstrance of Silas M. Wright and others, against the petition of Milo J. Smith and others; and

A remonstrance of Horace A. Collins against the same; also stating the fact that he had signed the above-named petition through a misapprehension of its purpose, were referred to the committee on Towns.

S. W. Hall
et als.

A petition of S. W. Hall and others of the town of Marion, for an act of incorporation as the Marion Public Library Association; and

Thomas Hol-
lis et als.

A petition of Thomas Hollis and others, for the establishment of "Technical Schools," so called, were referred to the committee on Education.

Severally in concurrence.

Secretary of
the Board of
Agriculture.

The communication from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, transmitting statements of the authorities of cities and towns in reply to certain questions made by him under resolve, chapter 61 of the year 1870, concerning roads in said cities and towns, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

New Eng-
land Hospi-
tal for Wo-
men and
Children.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the report on the petition of Samuel E. Sewall and others, in behalf of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Somerville
High School
Association.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Somerville High School Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Cary Im-
provement
Co.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Cary Improvement Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Poor deb-
tors.

The Senate bill concerning the notice to be given by poor debtors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the Worcester Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Worcester Gas Lt. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles Mattoon, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Charles Mattoon, widow of.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted.

To authorize the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company to extend their wharf in Somerset.

To incorporate the Stafford Mills in the city of Fall River.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year.

To incorporate the Eastern Yacht Club.

Requiring railroad trains to be equipped with tools.

To incorporate the Cambridge Athenæum.

Concerning the transportation of nitro-glycerine and similar explosives.

To incorporate the Proprietors of Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Lowell.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House), passed, to wit:— Resolves passed.

In relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

To aid in the suppression of contagious diseases among cattle.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a bill concerning the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Railways. B. and P. R. R. Corporation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, February 4, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to liens on buildings and land, reported Liens on buildings and lands.

A bill to amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Robert S. Cornell and others, reported

Hicks' Bridge in Bristol County.

A bill in addition to an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Bristol, to lay out Hicks' Bridge as a public highway.

Ship-owners of the U. S.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the resolve in favor of the ship-owners of the United States, reported the same in a new draft, and these bills and resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Luther Hill et als.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of Luther Hill and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Spencer.

Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Dogs in the city of Boston.

A bill relating to dogs in the city of Boston; and

Engineers in fire districts.

A bill to amend section 38 of chapter 24 of the General Statutes, relating to the choice of engineers in fire districts, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating liquors.

A bill to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors; was read and referred in concurrence to the committee on that subject.

International Congress on Prison Reform.

A resolve in relation to an International Congress on Prison Reform, was read and referred to the committee on Prisons, in concurrence.

Private libraries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education, inquire into the expediency of exempting private libraries from taxation; also

Soldiers' diplomas.

That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 53 of the Resolves of 1869, as to give diplomas to soldiers not now provided for in said resolve; also

Constitution.

That the joint special committee on Constitutional amendments consider the expediency of so amending the constitution as to provide a longer term of office for the members of one or both branches of the Legislature; also

Savings banks.

That the committee on Banks and Banking, inquire into the propriety of further legislation, the better to secure and equalize the earnings of deposits in savings banks, to and among all their depositors.

Petitions of

Joseph Perkins and others ; and

John H. Silsbee and others, severally for a modification of the laws relative to pilotage, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Joseph Perkins et als.
John H. Silsbee et als.

A petition of Mrs. Joan Baxter, for State aid on account of the services of her husband in the navy of the United States ; and

Mrs. Joan Baxter.

A petition of Wells & Perry and D. J. Cameron & Company, for the payment of the balance of their claims against the Troy and Greenfield Railroad Company, for work done and materials furnished between April 6, 1860 and July 12, 1861, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Wells and Perry.
D. J. Cameron and Co.

A petition of N. W. Brigham and others, in aid of the W. H. Brock and another, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

W. H. Brock et al.

A petition of Henry Carter and others, in relation to the bridge across the Merrimack River, at or near Gage's Ferry, between Bradford and Methuen, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Henry Carter et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill relative to the punishment for arson, burglary and other offences, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Punishment for arson, etc.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road, was passed over.

Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

The Senate report on the petition of Anthony C. Gardner and others was accepted.

Anthony C. Gardner et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports on the petitions of John Williams and others ; and

John Williams et als.

On the order relative to requiring committees to accompany their reports with a statement of facts upon which they are based, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Reports of committees.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 6, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

The act to amend an act concerning registers of deeds, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Registers of deeds.

Bridges in
Essex County.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to certain bridges in Essex County, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and the report was accepted, and the order was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Single acts
of drunken-
ness.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary, consider the expediency of repealing sections 25 and 26 of chapter 165 of the General Statutes, and of making other provisions for the arrest and detention of persons committing single acts of drunkenness.

Cyrus Wake-
field et als.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of Cyrus Wakefield and others, for an act of incorporation as the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Company.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

B. H. Chace
et als.

Mr. Hawes presented a petition of B. H. Chace and others, for authority to erect and maintain a flood-gate near the mouth of Herring River, so called, in Fairhaven ; also

Ib.

A petition of Weston Howland and others in aid of the same

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Atwood,—

Files of the
Senate.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to place additional cases in the coat-room of the Senate for the more convenient arrangement of the files of the Senate.

Papers from the House.

Bridget
Agen.

A petition of Bridget Agen, for State aid on account of the military services of her husband, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Nickerson's
Wharf Co.

A petition of the Nickerson's Wharf Company, for amendment of charter, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally in concurrence.

Hicks'
Bridge.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
In addition to an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Bristol, to lay out Hicks' Bridge as a public highway ; and

Liens on
buildings
and lands.

To amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading,

The Senate bill relative to the punishment for arson, burglary and other offences, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Arson, etc.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The resolve in favor of the ship-owners of the United States; and Ship-owners.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road, were severally passed over. Framingham and Lowell R. R. Co.

The act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year, was laid before the Governor for his approval. Appropriations.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 7, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill relating to dogs in the City of Boston; and Dogs in the city of Boston.

Mr. Sproat, from the same committee, on the bill to amend section 38 of chapter 24 of the General Statutes, relating to the choice of engineers in fire districts severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. Engineers in fire districts.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Insurance, on the petition of George Howe and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company. Faneuil Hall Ins. Co.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the bill concerning the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation, reported the same in a new draft. B. and P. R. R. Corporation.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of the First Presbyterian Church in Boston, reported First Presbyterian Church in Boston.

A bill to confirm the proceedings of the First Presbyterian Church in Boston.

Mr. Safford, from the same committee, on the petition of the American Congregational Association, reported a bill to authorize the American Congregational Association to hold additional real and personal estate. American Congregational Association.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of D. H. Dyer and others, reported

Weetamoe
Mills.

A bill to incorporate the Weetamoe Mills in the city of Fall River ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Troy and
Greenfield
Railroad and
Hoosac Tun-
nel.

Mr. Pierce presented the report of the committee of the last session on the Troy and Greenfield and Hoosac Tunnel ; and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

B., H. and
E. R. R. Co.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting, in compliance with an order of the Senate, copies of certain decrees of the supreme judicial court, in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Saul B. Scott
et als.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of Saul B. Scott and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroad
crossings.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Mr. Richardson offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

Election ser-
mon.

Ordered, That twelve hundred additional copies of the election sermon be printed for the use of the Legislature, two hundred of which shall be for the use of the preacher of the sermon.

Disabled sol-
diers.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the Commissioners under the Act of 1870, relative to the support of disabled soldiers, for a further appropriation in aid of the purposes of the commission.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

B. F. Robin-
son et als.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, presented a petition of B. F. Robinson and others, for the establishment of a savings bank at North Adams.

Horatio
Moore et als.

Mr. Crosby presented a petition of Horatio Moore and others, for the revival of the Waltham Bank for certain purposes.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Benjamin Adams and others, and J. W. P. Abbott and others, severally in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Fletcher presented a petition of Benjamin Derby and others, for compensation for damages sustained by them, by reason of a military encampment upon their lands.

Benj. Derby
et als.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of Charles Hamant and others, in aid of that of M. M. Fisher and others for the establishment of a savings bank in Medway.

M. M. Fisher
et als.

Laid on the table.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

In relation to depositing books in public libraries (on the order in relation to the subject);

Depositing
books in
public libra-
ries.
Medway Sav-
ings Bank.

To incorporate the Medway Savings Bank (on the petition of M. M. Fisher and others);

New Bedford
and Taunton
R. R. Corpora-
tion.

To authorize the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road (on the petition of the same), were read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill making appropriations for expenses of the State Almshouses, the State Prison, the Reform School at Westborough, the Massachusetts Nautical School, the Industrial School for Girls, and for other purposes; and •

Appropriations.

A resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children (on the petition of the same), were severally referred to the committee on the Treasury.

N. E. Hospital
for Women
and Children.

Petitions of

W. J. Mansfield and others; and

John Dixon and others, severally that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, were referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Labor.

A petition of C. W. Bellows and others, for an act of incorporation as the Middlesex Central Railroad Company; and

C. W. Bellows
et als.

A petition of John Goldsmith and others; and

A petition of John E. Blood and others, in aid of that of Alpheus Swallow and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Alpheus
Swallow et
als.

A petition of C. E. Guild and others, for the establishment of the office of Fire Commissioner, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

C. E. Guild
et als.

A petition of R. C. Sturges and others, for the repeal of the law relative to pilotage, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

R. C. Sturges
et als.

Lucy A.
Frost.

A petition of Lucy A. Frost for State aid, on account of the military services of her husband, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally in concurrence.

Hicks'
Bridge.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

In addition to an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Bristol to lay out Hicks' Bridge as a public highway;

Liens on
buildings
and land.

To amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Ship-owners.

The resolution in favor of the ship-owners of the United States was read a second time, amended and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Framingham
and Lowell
R. R. Co.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road, was ordered to a third reading.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted:—

Bills enacted
and to the
Governor.

To authorize the Plymouth County Agricultural Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

To incorporate the New England Shoe and Leather Association.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves
passed.

Authorizing the County Commissioners for the county of Worcester to borrow money.

Concerning a bust of George S. Boutwell.

Authorizing the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds.

Bills to the
Governor.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the Somerset Coöperative Foundry Company to extend their wharf in Somerset.

To incorporate the Stafford Mills in the City of Fall River.

To incorporate the Eastern Yacht Club.

Requiring railroad trains to be equipped with tools.

To incorporate the Cambridge Athenæum.

Concerning the transportation of nitro-glycerine and similar explosives.

To incorporate the Proprietors of Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Lowell.

Also the following resolves, to wit:—

In relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

Resolves to
the Govern-
nor.

To aid in the suppression of contagious diseases among cattle.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 8, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reported the bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Consumptives' Home without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Trustees of
Consump-
tives' Home.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing 10,000 extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Massachu-
setts Agri-
cultural Col-
lege.

Mr. Willcomb, from the committee on Horse Railways, on the petition of Oren S. Knapp and others; and

Oren S.
Knapp et al.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of James A. Douglas, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

James A.
Douglas.

Mr. Bates, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its railroad, and for other purposes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Railways.

Duxbury
and Cohas-
set R. R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of repealing chapter 51 of the Resolves of 1870, in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Disabled
soldiers.

Mr. Greeley presented a petition of Nathaniel Thayer and others, for an act of incorporation as the Union Aqueduct Company.

Nathaniel
Thayer et
als.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Trustees of
the Boston
University.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of the Boston University, and the Trustees of the Boston Theological Seminary, reported

A bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Boston University, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Corpora-
tions, dis-
solution of.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Franklin,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the passage of a law to dissolve certain corporations.

Registers of
deeds.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of fixing by law the salaries of registers of deeds.

Mr. Bird offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing:—

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

Ordered, That 1,000 copies extra of the message of the Governor, transmitting copies of the decrees of the supreme judicial court, relating to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Papers from the House.

Old Colony
and Newport
Railway, etc.

A bill in addition to an act concerning the Old Colony and Newport Railway and the Granite Railway Companies, and to authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to increase its capital stock (on the petition of the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Appropriations.

A bill in further addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year; and

Eliza L.
Freeland.

A resolve in favor of Eliza L. Freeland (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills.

Bills,

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases;

To authorize the re-opening and maintaining an outlet from Lovell's Pond in the town of Barnstable;

In relation to the Granite Railway Company;

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett; were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A report of the committee on Railways, that the further consideration of the order relative to requiring railroads to grant free passes to all members of the Legislature, be referred to the next General Court, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Free passes
to members
of the Legis-
lature.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railways be instructed to report what further legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the method of burning fuel in locomotives and other generators with a view to lessen risks from fires ignited by cinders, for the better preventing smoke, and to effect greater economy in the use of fuel.

Locomotives.

A petition of J. C. Lovejoy, asking for a hearing before a committee on certain charges made therein against the State Police, was referred to the joint special committee on the State Police.

J. C. Love-
joy.

A petition of Charles Cowley and others, that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Charles
Cowley et
als.

A petition of Rev. E. B. Bassett, for the passage of a general law authorizing the establishment of savings banks in towns; and

E. B. Bas-
sett.

A petition of Marshall Warner and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in Stockbridge; and

Marshall
Warner et
als.

A petition of the New England Trust Company for amendment of charter, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

N. E. Trust
Co.

A petition of Charles Heywood and others that the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company may be authorized to extend its road to Winchendon; and

Chas. Hey-
wood et als.

A petition of John M. Seeley and others, in aid of that of George H. Phelps and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

John M. See-
ley et als.

A petition of the Trustees of the House of the Angel Guardian, for an appropriation in aid of the institution, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Angel Guard-
ian.

A petition of Eliphalet Williams and another, for an extension of the charter of the Northampton Bridge Company, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Eliphalet
Williams et
als.

A petition of Melia Walton for State aid, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Melia Wal-
ton.

The annual report of the Commissioner of Savings Banks, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Report of
Commission-
er of Sav-
ings Banks.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company;

Bills.

Bills.

To incorporate the Weetamoe Mills in the City of Fall River ;

To authorize the American Congregational Association to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To confirm the proceedings of the First Presbyterian Church in Boston ;

Concerning the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation ;

To amend section 38 of chapter 24 of the General Statutes, relating to the choice of engineers in fire districts ;

In relation to dogs in the city of Boston ;

In relation to depositing books in public libraries ;

To incorporate the Medway Savings Bank ;

Authorizing the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings was passed over.

Saul B. Scott
et al.

The Senate report on the petition of Saul B. Scott and others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Framingham
and Lowell
R. R. Co.

The bill to authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road, was further considered, and an amendment proposed to the same by Mr. Thayer of Worcester having been rejected, Mr. Crosby proposed an amendment therein, striking out the words, "to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars to secure such bonds as may be issued by said company under existing provisions of law," and inserting in place thereof the words, "to secure any bonds that may be issued by said company according to existing provisions of law," and the question on the adoption of the amendment was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Crosby,
Long,

Fox,
Thayer, A.—5.

Goodman,

NAYS —Messrs. Atwood,
Boardman,
Frost,
Howe,
Packard,
Stearns,
Wakefield,
Wood.—22.

Bartholomew,
Clark, J. W.,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Rhodes,
Stickney,
Whiting,

Bates,
Fletcher,
Hawes,
Monroe,
Safford,
Thayer, S.,
Willcomb,

So the amendment was rejected, and the bill was thereupon ordered to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

An engrossed bill in addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Appropriations.

A bill from the House, for supplying the town of Northampton with pure water, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Northampton, pure water in.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the House resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

New England Hospital for Women and Children.

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for expenses of the State Almshouses, the State Prison, the Reform School at Westborough, the Massachusetts Nautical School and the Industrial School for Girls, and for other purposes, reported the same without amendment, and the bill was read three times under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Appropriations.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill for supplying the town of Northampton with pure water, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment in the third section; and the bill was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee and ordered to a third reading.

Town of Northampton.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of William Parsons and others, reported

William Parsons et als.

A bill to change the harbor line in Gloucester Harbor.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to increase the capital stock of the Attleborough Branch Railway Company, reported the same in a new draft, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Attleboro' Branch R. R. Co.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the election sermon, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Election Sermon.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Thomas Doyle, reported that the petitioner have

Thomas Doyle.

leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Ivers W.
Adams et
als.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of Ivers W. Adams and others, for an act of incorporation as the Boston Base Ball Association, and the same was referred to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

E. A. Ed-
wards et als.

Mr. Crosby presented a petition of E. A. Edwards and others, Commissioners of Hampshire County for increase of salary.

Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Philip M.
Moen et als.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of Philip L. Moen and others, trustees of the Memorial Hospital of the city of Worcester, for an act of incorporation.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Town of
Northamp-
ton, Bill for
supplying
with pure
water.

Mr. Crosby moved a suspension of the rule, in order that the bill for supplying the town of Northampton with pure water might be read a third time, and the motion being considered, was carried in the affirmative; and the bill was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

State Lunatic
Hospital
at Worcester.

To authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester to sell land, and for other purposes (on the petition of said trustees);

Benj. Frank-
lin Savings
Bank.
Malden Ma-
sonic Build-
ing Associa-
tion.

To incorporate the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank (on the petition of Charles W. Stewart and others);

To incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

Smith Col-
lege; Smith
Academy.

To incorporate the Smith College;

To incorporate the Smith Academy, came up passed to be engrossed, and the same were referred to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Safety
switches in
railroads.

The Senate bill requiring safety switches in railroads, came up concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

A bill in relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane, and for other purposes, was read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions in concurrence.

Persons confined as insane, discharge of.

The annual report of the Secretary of the Board of Education, was referred to the committee on Education.

Secretary of the Board of Education.

The annual report of the Board of State Charities, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Board of State Charities.

Petitions of

Henry T. Delano and others ; and

Labor.

Samuel Moores and others, severally for a law making ten hours' labor a day's work, were referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

A petition of Albert Freeman and others, for an alteration of the laws concerning the militia, was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Albert Freeman et als.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Tyringham, for the payment of a corporation tax alleged to be due said town, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Selectmen of Tyringham.

A remonstrance of John Low and others against any change in the laws concerning pilotage ; and

John Low et als.

A remonstrance of James N. Buffum and others against the same ; and

James N. Buffum et als.

A petition of David Snow and others, for certain changes in said laws, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

David Snow et als.

A petition of the Salem Gas Light Company, for authority to increase its capital stock and for other purposes, came up referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the petition was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Salem Gas Light Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A petition of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, for an appropriation in aid of the same, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children. Town of Medford,

A petition of the town of Medford, for authority to issue bonds ; and

A petition of Alfred Brown and others, for an act of incorporation as a cemetery association, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Alfred Brown et als.

A petition of Albert Mason and others, for authority to build a railroad from Plymouth to Sandwich ; and

Albert Mason et als.

A petition of Nelson D. White and others, in aid of that of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Nelson D. White et als.

Severally in concurrence.

Consumptives' Home.
Boston University.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Trustees of the Consumptives' Home ;
In addition to an act to incorporate the Trustees of the
Boston University ;

Old Colony
and Newport
Railway Co.,
and the Granite
Railway
Company.

In addition to an act concerning the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company, and the Granite Railway Company, and to authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Mass. Ag.
College.

The report, on the order relative to printing 10,000 extra copies of the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was accepted, and that number accordingly ordered to be printed.

James A.
Douglas.
Oren S.
Knapp et als.

The report on the petition of James A. Douglas ; and
The report on the petition of Oren S. Knapp and others,
were accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Weetamoe
Mills.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Weetamoe Mills in the city of Fall River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

American
Congrega-
tional Asso-
ciation.

The Senate bill to authorize the American Congregational Association to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

First Pres-
byterian
Church in
Boston.

The Senate bill to confirm the proceedings of the First Presbyterian Church in Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

B. and P. R.
R. Corpora-
tion.

The Senate bill concerning the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

The House bills,

Engineers in
fire districts.

To amend section 38 of chapter 24 of the General Statutes, relating to choice of engineers of fire districts ;

Dogs in the
city of Bos-
ton.
Public libra-
ries.

In relation to dogs in the city of Boston ;

In relation to depositing books in public libraries ;

To incorporate the Medway Savings Bank, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Medway Savings Bank.

The House bill authorizing the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

N. B. and Taunton R. R. Corporation.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings, was amended and ordered to a third reading.

Railroad crossings.

The report in relation to the expediency of requiring railroad companies to furnish free passes to members of the Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Free passes on railroads.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Boston Turnverein.

Boston Turnverein.

To incorporate the Berkeley House Company.

Berkeley House Co.

To provide for the appointment of firewards.

Appointment of Firewards.

An engrossed resolve (which originated in the House), in favor of the widow of the late Charles Mattoon, passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Charles Mattoon, widow of.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the order relative to the subject, reported

Guardianship of minors.

A bill to amend chapter 109 of the General Statutes, relating to the guardianship of minors, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill relating to bonds in bastardy cases without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Bonds in bastardy cases.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bills,

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett;

Town of Everett.

To authorize the re-opening and maintaining an outlet from Lovell's Pond in the town of Barnstable; and

Lovell's Pond in Barnstable.

Granite
Railway Co.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the bill in relation to the Granite Railway Company, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Railroad
Corporations
and Railroad
Commission-
ers.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the annual reports of railroad corporations together with that of the Railroad Commissioners, reported that the same should not be adopted, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Statue of
John A. An-
drew.

Mr. Coolidge, from the joint special committee on the subject of the presentation to the Commonwealth of a statue of the late Governor Andrew, submitted a report thereon, recommending that the front entrance of the State house be closed on Tuesday next, between the hours of ten and one o'clock, and that no persons be admitted except members of the State government and those specially invited, and that the two branches meet informally in their respective chambers at 10½ o'clock on that day, and proceed thence to the doric hall to meet the committee of the donors and witness the presentation; and the report was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Rape and
arson.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making the offences of rape and arson bailable.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Guardians
and trustees.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of legislation relating to guardians and trustees investing their trust funds in purchasing annuities.

On motion of Mr. Collins,—

Charles and
Miller's Riv-
ers and Fort
Point Chan-
nel.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of petitioning the Congress of the United States for an act authorizing the Commonwealth to close Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to all vessels except such as can pass under the bridges across said rivers and channel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Liquors, In-
toxicating.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors be instructed to consider the expediency of requir-

ing the several towns in the Commonwealth at their next annual town meetings, and the several cities at special elections to be held on or before the 18th day of March next, to vote by ballot upon the following questions:

First. Shall existing laws in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors be so amended as to include within the provisions thereof, and prohibit the sale of, ale, porter, strong beer and lager beer.

Second. Shall chapters 389 and 391 of the Acts of 1870, so far as the same authorized the inhabitants of the several cities and towns to vote that no person in such city or town shall be allowed to sell ale, porter, strong beer and lager-bier be repealed.

Such votes on the questions aforesaid, to be yes or no, and returns thereof to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth within four days after the same are cast.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Bird presented petitions of

Mrs. P. E. Gay and others;

Macullar, Williams & Parker; and

Mary M. Merrill and others, severally in aid of that of Jenny Collins and others.

Jenny Collins et als.

Referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Mr. Bates presented a petition of N. H. Whiting and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others.

N. H. Whiting et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bills,

Concerning the preservation of ballots in towns;

Ballots.

Concerning the punishment for rape, severally came up concurred, with amendments, and the same were adopted in concurrence.

Punishment for rape.

A bill to incorporate the town of Ayer (on the petition of Harvey A. Woods and others), was read three times under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Town of Ayer.

Bills,

To authorize the town of Northampton to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the Smith College;

Town of Northampton.

To change the name of the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Boston, and for other purposes,

Odd Fellows' Hall in Boston. were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Trustees of Amherst College. A bill in relation to the election of trustees of Amherst College, was read and referred to the committee on Education.

North River. A bill to revive chapter 194 of the Acts of 1868, authorizing the building of a bridge and highway across North River in South Scituate and Marshfield, was read and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally in concurrence.

Narrow gauge railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that inasmuch as the subject of narrow gauge railways has become of much importance and of a nature to considerably influence the future legislation of the State, a special committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider the subject of narrow gauge railroads.

And the President took time to appoint.

Also,

Statue of John A. Andrew.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the reception of the statue of the late Governor Andrew have full power to carry out the order of the Legislature as expressed in the report of said committee.

Also,

Public schools.

That the committee on Education consider the expediency of appointing a commission, to digest, prepare and report a plan for the introduction into our system of public school instruction, in the larger towns and cities of the Commonwealth, of so much of those branches of mathematics and natural philosophy, geometric design, the laws of mechanics and materials and of chemistry as are essential to the acquirement of practical skill in the mechanic arts.

Also, remonstrances of

Thos. Lamb et als. Boston Marine Society.

Thomas Lamb and others; and

The officers of the Boston Marine Society, severally against a change in the laws relating to pilotage; and

Worcester Mozart and Beethoven Choral Union. John Rhodes et als.

A petition of the Worcester Mozart and Beethoven Choral Union, for an act of incorporation; and

A petition of John Rhodes and others, for an act of incorporation as the Millbury Building and Improvement Company, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

H. A. Loring and Co.

A petition of Henry A. Loring and Company for pay for books furnished the State prison; and

Dana.

A petition of the overseers of the town of Dana, for reimbursement of money, alleged to have been overpaid, were referred to the committee on Claims.

A petition of the New England Labor Reform League, for the repeal of certain statutes in relation to banking, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

N. E. Labor Reform League.

A petition of Marvin Chapin and others, in relation to the taking of wild pigeons, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Marvin Chapin et al.

A petition of G. J. W. Braman and others, in aid of that of A. H. Evans and others, was referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

A. H. Evans et al.

A petition of John Carroll and others, in aid of that of Archibald Taft and others, was referred to the committee on Towns.

John Carroll et al.

A report of the Railroad Commissioners on the codification of the general laws relating to railroads was referred to the committee on Railways.

Railroad Commissioners.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills.

To authorize the Attleborough Branch Railroad Company to increase its capital stock ;

Attleborough Branch R. R. Co. Gloucester Harbor.

To change the harbor line in Gloucester Harbor ;

To incorporate the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank (after being amended) ;

Benj. Franklin Savings Bank. Malden Masonic Building Association.

To incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association ; and

The resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

The bill to authorize the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester, to sell land, and for other purposes, was committed to the committee on the Treasury.

State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Consumptives' Home, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Consumptives' Home.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Boston University, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston University.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill in addition to an act concerning the Old Colony and Newport Railway and the Granite Railway Companies, and to authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to increase its capital stock, was read a third time,

Old Colony and Newport Railway and the Granite Railway Companies.

amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Railroad
crossings.

The Senate bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings, was read a third time, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Boardman, Collins, Goodman, Howe, Packard, Stearns, Whiting,	Bates, Caswell, Fletcher, Greeley, Kimball, Rhodes, Stickney, Whitney,	Bird, Clark, J. W., Frost, Hawes, Long, Safford, Tenney, Wood.—24.
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NAYS.—Messrs. Crosby, Pierce, Wakefield,	Elliot, Richardson, Willcomb.—8
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Fox,
Sproat,

So the bill was ordered to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Election
sermon.

The report on the order for printing 1,200 extra copies of the election sermon, was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

The report on the petition of Thomas Doyle, was accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

New Bedford
and Taunton
R. R. Cor-
poration.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Bird the vote whereby the bill authorizing the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road, passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was amended and again passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, February 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

Appropriations.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Miss L.
Freeland.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill in further addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year; and

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the House resolve in favor of Eliza L. Freeland, severally reported that

the same ought to pass, and the bill and resolve were severally ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order of yesterday relative to the subject, reported Rape and arson.

A bill making bailable the offences of rape and arson.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. State and county taxes.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the limitation of time for enforcing the forfeiture of estates for breach of condition, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Forfeiture of estates.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a bill to establish a board of harbor and land commissioners, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Harbors. Harbor and Land Commissioners.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law that guardians of widows may waive the provisions made in the wills of their deceased husbands. Concerning the power of guardians of widows.

On motion of Mr. Tenney,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 158 of the Acts of 1862, that the amount assessed as a poll tax may be increased. Poll taxes.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation is necessary to protect travellers upon highways from mischievous dogs. Protection of travellers from dogs.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire if it be expedient to legislate that infants shall not be debarred from recovery of damages for injuries inflicted upon them by the negligence and fault of other persons, on account of the want of ordinary care on the part of their parents or guardians. Concerning the recovery of damages by infants.

On motion of Mr. Goodman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire whether some legislation is not necessary by which the pow- County commissioners.

er and authority of county commissioners may be restricted, or an appeal be taken from their determination to a court of competent jurisdiction or the question in controversy be referred to a jury of freeholders.

Protection
of trout.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries inquire what further legislation is necessary for the protection of trout or other fishes in private ponds or streams.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Wm. E.
Shaw.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of William E. Shaw, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Dogs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending the 250th chapter of the Acts of 1869, that moneys received by the treasurer of any county under the provisions of chapter 30 of the Acts of 1867, and not expended in accordance with the provisions of said act, shall be paid to the treasurers of the several cities and towns of said county in proportion to the excess of the amount paid by said county treasurer over the amount expended by the said county treasurer in payment for damages done by dogs in said city or town. Also

Text-books.

That the committee on Education be instructed to consider the expediency of reporting a bill providing for uniformity of text-books to be used in the public schools of the State; and providing also for their publication and sale.

Geo. Rice.

A petition of George Rice for compensation for damages sustained by him in the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel, was referred to the committee on Claims.

John F.
Dodge et als.

A petition of John F. Dodge and others, for authority to build a free bridge over Neponset River, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Cambridge
Land and
Building As-
sociation.
Boston and
Providence
Steamboat
Co.

A petition of the Cambridge Land and Building Association for amendment of charter; and

A bill to incorporate the Boston and Provincetown Steamboat Company, were severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

South
Scituate.

A petition of the town of South Scituate, in aid of that of Thomas J. Tolman and others, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of Nathaniel Brown and others, in relation to the connection of the Marblehead Branch and the Eastern Railroads as prayed for by H. V. Pitman and others; and

Nathaniel Brown et al.

A bill relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch R. R. Cos.

Petitions of

F. L. Taylor and others;

Elizabeth Fleet and others;

George B. Macomber and others; and

Nancy Brow and others, severally that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a day's work, were referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Labor.

Severally in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House announcing that the Senate bill concerning the notice to be given by poor debtors had been rejected by that branch.

Poor debtors.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To amend chapter 109 of the General Statutes, relating to the guardianship of minors;

Guardianship of minors.

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases;

Bonds in bastardy cases.

In relation to the Granite Railway Company;

Granite Railway Co. Lovell's Pond. Town of Everett.

To authorize the re-opening and maintaining an outlet from Lovell's Pond, in the town of Barnstable;

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to authorize the Attleborough Branch Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Attleborough Branch R. R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to change the harbor line in Gloucester Harbor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Gloucester Harbor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to incorporate the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Benj. Franklin Savings Bank.

Came up concurred.

The resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

The bill to incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association was passed over.

Malden Masonic Building Association.

Railroad corporations and railroad commissioners.

The report on the order relative to printing additional copies of the annual reports of the Railroad Corporations, together with the annual report of the railroad commissioners, was accepted and the order accordingly rejected.

Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield R. R.

The report of the committee of 1870 on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, was taken from the table and referred to the committee of the present year on that subject.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:

Cambridge Hospital. Northampton.

To incorporate the Cambridge Hospital.

For supplying the town of Northampton with pure water.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Concerning the power of guardians of widows.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relating to amending the law in respect to authorizing guardians of widows to waive provisions in their husbands' wills, reported

A bill to protect the rights of insane persons and minors.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the petition of the city of Boston, reported

Boston.

A bill in relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the 15th ward of the city of Boston; and

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the bills,

Smith College. Smith Academy.

To incorporate the Smith College;

To incorporate the Smith Academy, reported the same severally in a new draft, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Odd Fellows' Hall in Boston.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to change the name of the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Boston, and for other purposes;

Northampton. Smith College.

And on the House bill to authorize the town of Northampton to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the Smith College, reported that said bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a bill to revive the charter of the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Railways.

East Walpole
Branch R. R.
Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing extra copies of the decrees of the supreme judicial court in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, reported that the same ought to be adopted, with an amendment providing for the printing of 500 copies instead of 1,000 copies; and the report was accepted and the order as amended, adopted.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

On motion of Mr. Long,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relating to claims for abatement of tax on real and personal estate, and for abatement of drain, sewer and betterment assessments in certain cases.

Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that clerks of courts be paid by a salary.

Clerks of
courts.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire as to the expediency of prohibiting the use of offices of registers of deeds for making conveyances therein.

Registers of
deeds.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing the Middlesex North Agricultural Society to take land adjoining their present grounds, for the purpose of enlarging the same; also

Middlesex
North Agri-
cultural
Society.

That said committee consider the expediency of abolishing the death penalty.

Death
penalty.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 179 of the General Statutes, in relation to the appointment of Inspectors of the State Prison.

State Prison.

Mr. Stickney, presented a petition of Louis Lapham, justice, and Augustus C. Leonard, clerk of police court at Fall River, for an increase of salary.

Louis Lap-
ham.
Augustus C.
Leonard.

Also a petition of Charles O. Shove and others, for the establishment of a registry of deeds at Fall River.

Chas. O.
Shove et als.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Norfolk
County.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of the County Commissioners of Norfolk for an increase of salary.

Aurora H. C.
Phelps et als.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, for the passage of a law exempting "homes" from taxation.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Id.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, for State aid in the purchase of garden homesteads for women.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Id.

The same senator presented a petition of the same for the exemption of the real and personal estate of women from taxation.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Josiah M.
Shaw et als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Josiah M. Shaw and others, for a modification of the laws in relation to State aid.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Patrick Don-
ahoe et als.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of Patrick Donahoe and others, for a grant from the State in aid of the Home for Destitute Children.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Franconia
Iron and
Steel Co.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of the Franconia Iron and Steel Company, for authority to build a railroad from Wareham to some point on the Cape Cod Railroad.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Merrimack
River Sav-
ings Bank.

To incorporate the Merrimack River Savings Bank (on the petition of J. G. Peabody and others);

Brookline
Savings
Bank.
Taunton
Street Rail-
way.

To incorporate the Brookline Savings Bank (on the petition of Edward Atkinson and others);

To revive the charter of the Taunton Street Railway (on the petition of William C. Lovering and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sylvester
Jewett et als.

A report of the committee on Towns, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Sylvester Jewett and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Probate
courts, oaths
in.

A bill revising the several statutes requiring oaths to proceedings in probate courts, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

A petition of David Pulsifer, for compensation for services rendered in copying the Massachusetts and Old Colony Records, was referred to the committee on Claims. David Pulsifer.

A petition of George S. Boutwell and others, in aid of that of C. W. Bellows and others, was referred to the committee on Railways. Geo. S. Boutwell et als.

A petition of E. H. Kellogg and others, for an act of incorporation as the Pittsfield Athenæum, was referred to the committee on Education. E. H. Kellogg et als.

A petition of E. L. Atwood and Company and others, for a modification of the pilot laws, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Pilotage.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Holyoke, for compensation for certain liquors seized by a deputy State constable, was referred to the committee on Claims. Holyoke.

A petition of Thomas McLaughlin and others, for the annexation of Charlestown and Somerville to the city of Boston, was referred to the committee on Towns. Geo. W. Warren et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Making bailable the offences of rape and arson ;

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ; Rape and arson.
Valuation.

In further addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year ; and Appropriations.

The resolve in favor of Eliza L. Freeland, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Eliza L. Freeland.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 109 of the General Statutes, relating to the guardianship of minors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Minors.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills,

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases ;

In relation to the Granite Railway Company ;

To authorize the re-opening and maintaining an outlet from Lovell's Pond in the town of Barnstable ; Bonds in bastardy cases.
Granite Railway Co.
Barnstable.

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Town of Everett.

The House bill to incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association, was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence. Malden Masonic Building Association.
Forfeiture of estates.

The report on the order relative to the limitation of time for enforcing the forfeiture of estates for breach of contract, was accepted.

William E.
Shaw.

The House report on the petition of William E. Shaw, was accepted in concurrence.

Valuation.

Mr. Bird gave notice that he should propose to-morrow an amendment to the bill to secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, and on motion of the same senator it was ordered to be printed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Cary Im-
provement
Co.
Appropriations.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Cary Improvement Company.

Making appropriations for the expenses of the State Alms-houses, the State Prison, the Reform School at Westborough, the Massachusetts Nautical School, the Industrial School for Girls, and for other purposes.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Registers of
deeds.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to fixing by law the salary of registers of deeds; and

Poll taxes.

Mr. Thayer, from the same committee, on the order relative to increasing the amount to be assessed as a poll tax, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Norfolk
County.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the county treasurer of Norfolk County reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures; and the report was accepted and the petition was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Vocal music.

Mr. Bartholomew, on leave, introduced a bill relating to instruction in vocal music; and the same was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Valuation
committees.

Ordered, That the Treasurer communicate to the Legislature a statement of the expenses of the valuation commit-

tees of the years 1850, 1860 and 1864, including the expenses of printing and attending the same respectively.

On motion of Mr. Rhodes,—

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of extending the time for the organization of the Taunton Ins. Co.
Taunton Insurance Company.

On motion of Mr. Howe,—

Ordered, That whereas by an act approved May 15, 1855, Western R. R. Corp'n.
being chapter 347 of the Acts of that year, it was made lawful for the Western Railroad Corporation to unite with the Albany and West Stockbridge Railroad Company and the Hudson and Boston Railroad Corporation, and the three corporations aforesaid have by votes of their stockholders formed such union; and the laws of the State of New York under which the two corporations last named were organized, permit the further consolidation with said corporators of any corporations in said State owning roads connecting with those of either of them:

Therefore, that the committee on Railways inquire whether any legislation is expedient to prevent or control the further consolidation of corporations, owning roads in the State of New York, with the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation.

On motion of Mr. Goodman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire if some legislation is not necessary to prevent the endangering of limbs and lives of citizens of this Commonwealth and other passengers on railroad trains, by their being compelled to get off such trains at places between the depots, for the reason that they are unable to pay the fare demanded; and further to inquire if all railroad offices and employes should not be required by law, in all cases when it is legal and necessary to put off a person from the train, to do so at a depot or place on the road where the train usually stops.

Mr. Monroe offered the following order:—

Ordered, That five thousand copies of the proceedings at the presentation of the statue of John A. Andrew to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be printed for the use of the Legislature. Statue of John A. Andrew.

And the order was referred to the joint committee on Printing.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of the agent for discharged convicts, for an increase of appropriation for the same, and for an increase of salary. Discharged convicts.

Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

William A.
Vanderhoop
et als.

Mr. Bradley presented a petition of William A. Vanderhoop and others, for authority to build a bridge across Menamsha Creek, in Dukes County.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Boston Art
Club.
North Attle-
borough
Union Build-
ing Assoc'n.
Samuel
Ingalls.

To incorporate the Boston Art Club ;

To incorporate the North Attleborough Union Building Association (on the petition of J. D. Richards and others);

To authorize Samuel Ingalls to construct a wharf in Winthrop (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

Wenham
Lake.

To regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing purposes ;

Writs.

Concerning the return of writs issued by municipal and police courts ;

Superior
court in
Berkshire
County.

To change the time of holding terms of the superior court in Berkshire County, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Thomas
Noonan.

Reports granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Claims, on the petition of Thomas Noonan, and of the committee on Education, "that it is inexpedient to legislate" on the order relative to amending the act of last year authorizing the re-establishment of the school district system, were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

School dis-
trict system.

Wharves.

A bill to regulate the building of wharves and other structures upon tide waters, was read and referred to the committee on Harbors.

Gas and gas
meters.

A report of the State Inspector of Gas and Gasmeters, was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

North
Bridgewater.

A petition of the selectmen of North Bridgewater, for a change of the name of said town to that of "Standish," was referred to the committee on Towns.

J. H. Gleason
et als.

A petition of J. H. Gleason and others, for the establishment of a Normal School in the county of Worcester, was referred to the committee on Education.

H. G. O.
Ellis et als.

A petition of H. G. O. Ellis and others, in relation to the herring fishery in the town of Sandwich, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Joseph
Fuller.

A petition of Joseph Fuller, for State aid for services in the United States Navy during the late rebellion, was referred to the committee on Claims.

A petition of the selectmen and others of Waltham, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

James T.
Burnap et
als.

A petition of Rufus H. Brown and others, that the town of Peabody may be annexed to the city of Salem was referred to the committee on Towns.

Rufus H.
Brown et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The president appointed Messrs. Goodman and Frost as the committee on the part of the Senate under the order in relation to narrow gauge railroads.

Narrow
gauge rail-
roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, and Messrs. Parker of Lancaster, Baker of Beverly, Putnam of Worcester, Corser of Holyoke, and Howard of Sandwich are joined.

And Messrs. Stickney and Whitney, as the committee on the part of the Senate, under the resolve authorizing the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds.

Plates and
bonds, de-
struction of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, and Messrs. Hayward of Milford, Harris of Chiscopee and Smith of Phillipston are joined.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To protect the rights of insane persons and minors ;

In relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the 15th ward of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Smith College ;

To incorporate the Trustees of the Smith Academy ;

To authorize the town of Northampton to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the Smith College ;

To change the name of the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Boston, and for other purposes ;

To incorporate the Merrimack River Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Brookline Savings Bank ;

To revive the charter of the Taunton Street Railway Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill making bailable the offences of rape and arson, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Insane per-
sons.
Beacon
Street in
Boston.
Smith Col-
lege.
Smith
Academy.
Northamp-
ton.
Smith Col-
lege.
Odd Fellows'
Hall in Bos-
ton.
Merrimack
River Sav-
ings Bank.
Brookline
Savings
Bank.
Taunton
Street Rail-
way Co.
Rape and
arson.

Valuation.

Appropriations.

The House bill in further addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year; and

Eliza L. Freeland.

The House resolve in favor of Eliza L. Freeland, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Sylvester Jewett et al.

The House report on the petition of Sylvester Jewett and another, was accepted in concurrence.

Town of Ayer.

An engrossed bill to incorporate the town of Ayer (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 15, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Waltham Bank.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Horatio Moore and others, reported

A bill to revive the charter of the Waltham Bank, for certain purposes.

North Bridgewater Agricultural Society.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Henry W. Robinson and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society.

Central Savings Bank of Lowell.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Hiram Parker and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Central Savings Bank in the city of Lowell.

Obstruction of highways.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations.

Hampden County.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill authorizing the county commissioners of Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes.

Memorial Hospital in Worcester.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Philip L. Moen and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the bill to revive the Neponset Bank of Canton, for certain purposes; and

Neponset
Bank of
Canton.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to change the time of holding the terms of the superior court in Berkshire County, severally reported that these bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Superior
court in
Berkshire
County.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the order relative to the trial of issues of fact, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Trial of
issues of fact.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the petition of Louis Lapham and Augustus B. Leonard, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures; and the report was accepted, and the petition sent down for concurrence.

Louis Lap-
ham and
Augustus B.
Leonard.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Orange Savings Bank, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Orange Sav-
ings Bank.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the Clarke Institution for Deaf-Mutes, to hold additional real and personal estate.

Clarke Insti-
tution for
Deaf-Mutes.

Read and referred to the committee on Education.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to authorize towns and cities to raise money for recruiting purposes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Recruiting
purposes.

On motion of Mr. Goodman,—

Ordered, That the commission under the resolve of last year, in relation to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, be authorized to report in print.

Mass. Agri-
cultural Col-
lege.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures inquire into the expediency of requiring the assessors of taxes in the various cities and towns of the Commonwealth, or the several treasurers of said cities and towns to report the expense of assessing and collecting the taxes for the year 1870 in said cities and towns.

Taxes.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire,—

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the

Trustees.

General Statutes and other statutes relating to trusts, so that trustees may be appointed by probate courts, who shall have charge of property purchased and held in the Commonwealth by trustees appointed without the Commonwealth.

The same senator offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Ordered, That 2,000 extra copies of the report of the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Lowell Gas Light Co.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of the Lowell Gas Light Company for authority to increase its capital stock.

Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Henry Fuller et als.

Mr. Fletcher presented a remonstrance of B. W. Gleason and others, against the petition of Henry Fuller and others.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Town of Medford.

A bill to authorize the town of Medford to construct a bridge over Mystic River (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

Heywood Branch R. R. Co.
Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg R. R. Co.
Prison Commissioners.

To incorporate the Heywood Branch Railroad Company ;
To authorize the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company to extend its tracks in the town of Fitchburg, were severally read and referred to the committee on Railways.

A special report of the prison commissioners, was referred to the committee on Prisons.

William B. Belcher.

A petition of William B. Belcher, for authority to build a wharf in Winthrop, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Selectmen of Raynham.

A remonstrance of the selectmen of the town of Middleborough, against the petition of the selectmen of the town of Raynham, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

J. G. Chapman et als.

A petition of J. G. Chapman and others, for authority to build a bridge over the Merrimack River near Gage's Ferry ; and

Ib.

A petition of E. B. Currier and others, in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Ib.

A petition of George W. Gage and others, in aid of the same, was referred to the same committee.

Aurora H. O. Phelps et als.

A petition of Aurora H. O. Phelps and others, for the exemption of " homes " from taxation, and for State aid in the purchase of homesteads for women ; and

A petition of David O. Allen and others, for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work, were referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

David O. Allen et als.

A petition of George P. Drew and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Albert Mason et als.

A petition of S. Williston and others, in aid of that of Milo J. Smith and others, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Milo J. Smith et als.

A petition of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society of Chelsea, for a change of name, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Winnisimmet Congregational Society of Chelsea.

A petition of Jonathan Holbrook and others, for an act of incorporation as the trustees of certain property in the town of Sherborn, was referred to the committee on Education.

Jonathan Holbrook et als.

A petition of James Brown and others, for the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1869, was referred to the committee on that subject.

James Brown et als.

A petition of James M. Day, in behalf of Adeline V. Stevens, for State aid, was referred to the committee on Claims.

James M. Day.

A petition of James Sevett and others, for alteration of the laws respecting pilotage; and

Pilotage.

A remonstrance of Henry Hodgkins and others, against any change therein, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

ib.

A petition of William H. Baldwin and others, for an act of incorporation as the Young People's Savings Bank; and

William H. Baldwin et als.

A petition of E. W. B. Canning and others, in aid of that of Marshall Warner and others, were referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Marshall Warner.

Petitions of

A. P. Blake and others; and

A. P. Blake et als.

E. P. Davis and others, for the passage of a law to prevent Neponset River from becoming the receptacle of noxious and filthy substances, were referred to the committee on Manufactures.

E. P. Davis et als.

A petition of S. D. Fuller and others, for amendment of the act of last year in aid of the preservation of birds, birds' eggs and deer, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

S. D. Fuller et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To incorporate the Boston Art Club;

Boston Art Club.
North Attleborough Union Building Co.

To incorporate the North Attleborough Union Building Company;

Winthrop.

Authorizing Samuel Ingalls to construct a wharf in Winthrop, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Insane persons and minors.

The Senate bill to protect the rights of insane persons and minors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Beacon Street.

The Senate bill in relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the 15th ward of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Smith College.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Smith College, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Smith Academy.

The Senate bill to incorporate the trustees of Smith Academy, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,

To authorize the town of Northampton to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for Smith College;

To change the name of the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Boston, and for other purposes;

To incorporate the Merrimack River Savings Bank;

To incorporate the Brookline Savings Bank;

To revive the charter of the Taunton Street Railway Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Poll taxes.

Registers of deeds.

The reports, on the order relative to amending the statutes concerning poll taxes; and relative to providing that registers of deeds shall be paid by salaries, were accepted.

The House reports,

School districts.

On the orders relative to amending the act of last year concerning the reestablishment of school districts; and

Thomas Noonan.

On the petition of Thomas Noonan, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 16, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the resolves in favor of the ship-building interests of the country, reported the same in a new draft, and the resolves were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Greeley, from the same committee, on the bill to incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company, reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of L. M. Brock and another, reported

A bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to restricting the powers of county commissioners, reported

A bill to repeal chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1870, concerning highways and town ways; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill to regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing purposes, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to providing that clerks of courts shall be paid by salaries; and

Mr. Wakefield, from the same committee, on the order relative to further protection of travellers from mischievous dogs, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Military Affairs, under the provisions of chapter 13 of the General Statutes, reported that they had attended to the duty required by said chapter, and that the State Arsenal at Cambridge is in excellent condition; and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Senate petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, for the exemption of property of women from taxation, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the rights of women to their property and children;

Ship-building.

Blue Hill Land Co.

Wm. H. Swift and another.

Highways and town ways.

Wenham Lake.

Clerks of courts.

Protection of travellers from dogs.

Arsenal at Cambridge.

Taxation of the property of women.

and the report was accepted, and the petition sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Long,—

Taxation on
corporate
stocks.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider whether any additional legislation is required, so that the tax on corporate stocks, held by firms doing business under a firm name, shall be credited to the different cities and towns where said partner resides, in such proportion as each partner's interest is represented in said stock.

On motion of the same senator,—

Taxation of
bank shares.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider whether any additional legislation is required, so that bank shares held by firms in the firm name, shall be taxable to the different members of said firms, in the cities and towns where said parties reside, in proportion to their different interests therein.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Harbor Com-
missioners.

Ordered, That the treasurer communicate to the Legislature a statement of the amounts paid to the harbor commissioners for services and expenses for each year since January, 1866, including all sums paid by or for said board to assistants, engineers and all other persons; and also all sums paid for plans, maps and charts and for printing and engraving the same; also a similar statement in relation to the board of commissioners on Public Lands.

Commission-
ers on public
lands.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Edwin Chase
et als.

Mr. Stearns presented a petition of Edwin Chase and others, for authority to construct booms in Connecticut River.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

William Jef-
fers et als.

Mr. Kimball presented a petition of William Jeffers and others, for a change of the laws relating to the pay of coroners.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Selectmen
of Norfolk.

Mr. Bird presented a petition of the selectmen of Norfolk, for a change in the boundary line between that town and Franklin.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Geo. A.
Churchill et
als.

Mr. Fox presented a remonstrance of George A. Churchill and others, against the repeal of the resolve in relation to disabled soldiers.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Park presented a petition of A. K. Tilden, for a diploma, on account of service in the navy of the United States during the late rebellion. A. K. Tilden.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence. Faneuil Hall
Ins. Co.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of the passage of a law providing that coney rabbits shall not be killed by the use of the animal known as the "ferret;" also of providing that said rabbits shall not be killed by means of traps, snares, nets or springes: *provided*, that between the first day of September and the first day of April following, any person may on his own premises and for his own use kill by means of traps or snares any of said animals. Rabbits.

Petitions of

Henry Cook and others;

N. H. Hopkins and others;

James A. Small and others; and

J. E. Rowley and others, for a change in the laws in relation to pilotage, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Henry Cook
et als.
N. H. Hop-
kins et als.
James A.
Small et als.
J. E. Rowley
et als.

A petition of the Weymouth Branch Freight Railroad Company, for a change of the route of its road; and

Petitions of

William D. Childs and others;

Charles O. Ball and others;

A. M. Howk and others; and

A. T. Servin and others, severally in aid of that of George H. Phelps and others, were referred to the committee on Railways. Weymouth
Branch
Freight R. R.
Co.

George H.
Phelps et als.

A bill to provide for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston, was referred to the committee on Insurance. Boston.

A remonstrance of Richard F. Underwood and others, against the petition of Milo J. Smith and others; and Milo J.
Smith et als.

A remonstrance of S. F. Woodbury and others, against the petition of William B. Wood and others, were referred to the committee on Towns. William B.
Wood et als.

Francis
Edson et als.

A petition of Francis Edson and others, that the bridge over Connecticut River between the towns of Hadley and Northampton may be made free, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Catharine
Crowley.

A petition of Catharine Crowley, for the payment of arrears of State aid alleged to be due to her, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Permanent
Peace Fund.

A petition of the trustees of the "Permanent Peace Fund," for authority to hold additional real and personal estate, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Wm. H.
Haskell et
als.

A petition of William H. Haskell and others, for an act of incorporation as the West Amesbury Savings Bank, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

L. M. Brock
et al.

A remonstrance of Edwin Walden and others, against the petition of L. M. Brock and another, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Town of
Lancaster.

A petition of the town of Lancaster, that the proposed new normal school for the county of Worcester may be located in that town; and

Moses Barnes
et als.

A petition of Moses Barnes and others of the town of Dudley, that said town may be authorized to raise and appropriate money for the support of Nichols Academy, were referred to the committee on Education.

Severally in concurrence.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Central Savings Bank in the city of Lowell;

To incorporate the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society;

To incorporate the trustees of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester;

Authorizing the county commissioners of Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes;

To revive the Waltham Bank for certain purposes;

To revive the Neponset Bank of Canton for certain purposes;

To prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations;

To authorize the town of Medford to construct a bridge over Mystic River, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Superior
Court for
Berkshire
County.

The bill to change the time of holding the terms of the superior court for the county of Berkshire for criminal business, was laid on the table.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Boston Art Club ;

To incorporate the North Attleborough Union Building Association ;

Bills.

Authorizing Samuel Ingalls to construct a wharf in Winthrop, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report on the order relative to the trial of issue of fact, was accepted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the governor for his approval, to wit:

Bills enacted and to the Governor.

To authorize the Worcester Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock.

Concerning the punishment for rape.

To amend section 38 of chapter 24 of the General Statutes, relating to choice of engineers in fire districts.

In relation to depositing books in public libraries.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the dissolution of certain corporations ; and

Dissolution of corporations.

Mr. Wakefield, from the same committee, on the order relative to the putting off of passengers from railroad cars by reason of their refusal to pay their fares, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroad trains.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill to incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company, reported the same in a new draft.

Duxbury Wharf Co.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, on the report of the railroad commissioners, reported

A bill to regulate freight charges on railroads.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the orders in relation to the subject, reported

A bill in addition to an act concerning manufacturing and other corporations ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Manufacturing and other corporations.

People's
banks.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill concerning people's banks and other registered associations, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Wm. H.
Swift et al.

Mr. Wakefield presented a remonstrance of Samuel E. Sewall against the passage of the bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brook to construct a wharf in Nahant.

Single acts
of drunken-
ness.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the arrest and detention of persons committing single acts of drunkenness, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Probate
courts.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary, consider the expediency of enforcing upon probate courts, jurisdiction in divorce cases, and authority to issue temporary injunction in equity suits.

Adoption of
children.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery be instructed to consider the expediency of amending chapter 110 of the General Statutes, relating to the adoption of children, so as to make the provisions thereof consistent, or to change the same.

Wollaston
Hotel Co.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of Moses Fairbanks and others, for an act of incorporation as the Wollaston Hotel Company.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Grafton and
Millbury
R. R. Co.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of the Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company, for amendment of its charter.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

J. Edward
Hollis et al.

Mr. Fox presented a remonstrance of J. Edward Hollis and others, against the repeal of the resolve of last year, in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Anti-Wo-
man's suf-
frage Ass'n.

Mr. Caswell presented a remonstrance of the Anti-Woman's Suffrage Association, against the extension of suffrage to women.

Referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

James H.
Look.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of James H. Look, for an investigation into the conduct of one David Dean, a deputy State constable.

Referred to the joint special committee on the State Police.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of E. Stuart and others, Henry Fowler et als. in aid of that of Henry Fowler and others; also

A petition of Webster Cutting and others, in aid of the same.

Mr. Long presented a remonstrance of William H. Kent Geo. W. Warren et als. and others, against the annexation of Charlestown to Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Company, for authority to increase its capital stock. Nashua and Lowell R. R. Co.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Whiting presented a petition of S. G. Cheever, for S. G. Cheever. compensation for materials furnished for the repairs upon the State house.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, on leave, introduced a bill concerning conveyances of real estate by married women. Married women.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms cause to be inscribed Statue of John A. Andrew. upon the pedestal of the statue of John A. Andrew in the Doric hall, the following words:—

“I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world, but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise any man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.”—*John A. Andrew.*

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bill relating to instruction in vocal music came Vocal music. up non-concurred in the reference thereof to the committee on Education, and the same was laid on the table.

A bill to cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain land in the city of Boston, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Boston.

A bill to incorporate the North Cambridge and Somerville Horse Railway Company (the same having been substituted in the House for the report of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Oren S. Knapp and others), was read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday next. North Cambridge and Somerville Horse Railway Co.

A resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham. Female Prisoners at Dedham (on the petition of Barbara H. Channing and others), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Atlantic
Avenue.

A bill to authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Surgeon-
General's
Report.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, discharging said committee from the further consideration of so much of the Surgeon-General's report as relates to the disabled soldiers' employment bureau, was accepted in concurrence.

Hunting of
deer.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 304 of the Acts of 1870, to prevent the hunting of deer with hounds or dogs in the counties of Plymouth and Barnstable. Also,

Pews, tax on.

That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 30, section 39 of the General Statutes, by striking out the words, "since the 25th day of March 1845." Also,

State police.

That the committee on the State Police, in the consideration of the subject, have power to send for persons and papers.

Constitu-
tion.

A petition of Edward Earle and others, that the right of suffrage may be granted to women, was referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of

Daniel F.
Morse.
Geo. W.
Tarbox.
Thomas W.
Coombs.

Daniel F. Morse ; and

George W. Tarbox for State aid ; and

A petition of E. H. Walton and others, in behalf of Thomas W. Coombs, for the same, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Lexington
and Arling-
ton R. R.

A petition of B. F. Heald and others, in aid of the petition for a railroad from the Lexington and Arlington Railroad to the New Hampshire line ; and

A petition of Henry Wood and others, in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Petitions of

Aurora H. C.
Phelps et
als.

J. Nudd and others ;

G. E. Fletcher and others ; and

J. Lord and others, severally in aid of that of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others for garden homesteads, were referred to the committee on the Labor Question.

Jabez True
et als.

A petition of Jabez True and others, for more stringent laws for the protection of trees and fences, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Edward Ken-
dall et als.

A petition of Edward Kendall and others, for an act of incorporation as the Pilgrim Congregational Church of

Cambridge, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the directors of the City Bank of Lynn, for the revival of the charter of said bank, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. City Bank of Lynn.

A petition of George P. Clark and Company and others, for an alteration of the laws respecting pilotage, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Pilotage.

A petition of R. E. Aphthorp and others, for the repeal of the Act of 1869, authorizing S. P. Cushing to build and maintain a boat-house on Charles River, was referred to the committee on Harbors. R. E. Aphthorp et al.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of North Chelsea, for a change in the name of said town to Revere, was referred to the committee on Towns. North Chelsea.

A remonstrance of Trowbridge Brigham and others, against the petition of William B. Wood and others, was referred to the committee on Towns. William B. Wood et al.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Blue Hill Land Co.

The bills,

Bills.

To repeal chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1870, in relation to highways and town ways;

To regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing purposes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant; and Wm. H. Swift et al.

The report on the order relative to further protection of travellers from mischievous dogs, were severally laid on the table. Protection of travellers from dogs.

The resolutions in favor of the ship-builders of the United States, were further considered and passed. Ship-builders.

Sent down for concurrence.

The report on the condition of the State Arsenal at Cambridge, was accepted. State Arsenal at Cambridge.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report on the order relative to authorizing the payment of clerks of courts by a salary, was accepted. Clerks of courts.

Central Savings Bank in Lowell. The Senate bill to incorporate the Central Savings Bank in the city of Lowell, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

North Bridgewater Agricultural Society. The Senate bill to incorporate the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Memorial Hall at Worcester. The Senate bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Memorial Hall at Worcester, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Hampden County. The Senate bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Waltham Bank. The Senate bill to revive the Waltham Bank for certain purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Neponset Bank of Canton. The Senate bill to revive the Neponset Bank of Canton, for certain purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mystic River. The House bill to authorize the town of Medford to construct a bridge over Mystic River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

B. H. and E. R. R. Co., decrees of supreme judicial court in relation to. The message from the Governor, transmitting certain decrees of the supreme judicial court, in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, was taken from the table and referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Constable of the Commonwealth. The report of the Constable of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and referred to the joint special committee on the State Police.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills enacted and to the governor. The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Requiring safety switches in railroads.
 To incorporate the Medway Savings Bank.
 In relation to dogs in the city of Boston.
 To authorize the re-opening and maintaining an outlet
 from Lovell's Pond in the town of Barnstable.
 Adjourned.

SATURDAY, February 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on Infants.
 the order relative to the better protection of infants, reported

A bill for the better protection of infants, and the same
 was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Hawes, from the joint special committee on Intoxicating Intoxicating
 Liquors, on the order relative to allowing towns to vote liquors.
 upon certain questions respecting the sale of, reported that
 it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read
 and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, on leave, introduced a bill to Hollis Evan-
 change the name of the Hollis Evangelical Society in Fram- gelical So-
 ingham, to the Plymouth Society in Framingham, and the cety in
 same was read and referred to the committee on Parishes Framing-
 and Religious Societies. ham.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Safford,—

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges con- Highways.
 sider the expediency of repealing all laws which provide for
 the repair of highways by a tax, to be paid in labor or mate-
 rials.

On motion of Mr. Bradley,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries consider Fishes, cul-
 the expediency of amending section 30 of chapter 384 of tivation of.
 the Acts of 1869, concerning the cultivation of useful fishes.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on William Jef-
 the petition of William Jeffers and others, reported, asking fars et als.
 to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and
 that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures,
 and the report was accepted and the petition was sent down
 for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Franklin
Patch et als.

The same senator presented a petition of Franklin Patch and others, in relation to the Lexington Ministerial Fund.

Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

George C.
Winchester
et als.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of George C. Winchester and others, for authority to build a railroad in the town of Ashburnham.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

A. Water-
man et als.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of A. Waterman and others, for an act to supply the town of Everett with pure water.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Lydia P.
Osborne.

Mr. Bates presented a petition of Lydia P. Osborne, for State aid on account of the military services of her husband.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Jesse B.
Butterfield
et als.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of Jesse B. Butterfield and others, that the county commissioners of Essex County may be authorized to construct a bridge over the Merrimack River in Tyngsborough; also

Petitions of

Ib.

George Stevens and others; and

Samuel T. Wright and others, in aid of the same.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Disabled
soldiers.

Mr. Fox presented remonstrances of J. C. Wild and others; and

Ib.

George H. Johnston and others, severally against the repeal of the resolve in relation to disabled soldiers.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

David
Whiton et
als.

On motion of Mr. Whiting, the petition of David Whiton and others was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Hartley Wil-
liams.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, presented a petition of Hartley Williams, justice of the municipal court of the city of Worcester, for an increase of salary.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

Concerning the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association (in a new draft);

To authorize the Weetamoe Mills to construct a wharf in Fall River (on the petition of D. H. Dyer and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill making appropriations from the funds and income of the funds herein mentioned, and for other purposes ; and

Appropriations.

Resolves,

Resolves.

To provide for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury (on the petition of the inspectors of) ;

In favor of Edward S. Philbrick (on the petition of, " substituted in the House for Senate report thereon") ;

In relation to the unexpended proceeds of the scrip issued in aid of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A bill providing for a clerk of the police court of Fitchburg, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Police court of Fitchburg.

A bill to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg, was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Young Men's Christian Assoc'n of Fitchburg.

A bill to prohibit the taking of black bass in lakes Averic and Mahkeenac in the town of Stockbridge, was read and referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Black bass.

A bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to lay out a public street or way across the South Bay, was read and referred to the committee on Harbors.

Boston.

Severally in concurrence.

A report discharging the committee on Towns from the further consideration of the petition of Alfred Brown and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Alfred Brown et al.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Claims, consider the expediency of reporting a resolve in favor of the towns of Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham, for corporation taxes alleged to be due those towns. Also

Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham.

That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of proposing amendments to the constitution to prohibit all special acts of incorporation, and the grant or loan of public funds or credit to any private or railroad corporation. Also

Constitution.

That a convention of the two branches be held on Thursday next at 2½ o'clock, for the election of two directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on the part of the State.

Boston & Albany R. R. Co.

A petition of William R. Hayden and others, for an extension of time within which to locate the Bedford Railroad, was referred to the committee on Railways.

William R. Hayden et al.

Geo. F. Williams et als.

A petition of George F. Williams and others, for an act of incorporation as the Commonwealth Savings Bank, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

A. B. Ely.

A petition of A. B. Ely, that additional legislation may be had in reference to the education of young men in college ; and

Geo. H. Jones et als.

A petition of George H. Jones and others, for an act of incorporation as the Newton Free Library, were severally referred to the committee on Education.

Harvard College.

A petition of the President and Fellows of Harvard College, for leave to extend their wharf in Cambridge, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

G. Washington Warren et als.

A petition of F. M. Holmes and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others, was referred to the committee on Towns.

John Thompson et als.

A petition of John Thompson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Aurora Lodge 107 of Independent Order of Odd Fellows ; and

Pilotage.

A remonstrance of Samuel A. Fabens and others, against any alteration of the laws relative to pilotage, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Wm. Bradley et als.

A petition of William Bradley and others, for authority to make an opening through South Beach in the town of Edgartown ; and

S. S. Baxter et als.

A petition of S. S. Baxter and others, for the prohibition of the catching of fish by traps, weirs and pounds, were referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Severally in concurrence.

Guide to the Study of Insects.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of the purchasing for the State for distribution, copies of "Guide to the Study of Insects," by H. S. Packard, Jr., State entomologist.

S. S. Baxter et als.

Mr. Hawes presented remonstrances of Ensign Nickerson and others ; and

W. H. Sturges and others, severally against the petition of S. S. Baxter and others.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company ;

To regulate freight charges on railroads, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Manufacturing and other corporations.

The bill in addition to an act concerning manufacturing and other corporations, was laid on the table.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Blue Hill
Land Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to repeal chapter 75 of the Acts of the year 1870, in relation to highways and town ways, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Highways
and town
ways.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing purposes, was read a third time, amended in the title by inserting therein after the word "bathing" the words "and other," and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Wenham
Lake.

Came up concurred.

The reports on the orders,

Relative to single acts of drunkenness ;

Drunken-
ness.
Railroad
trains.

Relative to the putting off of passengers from railroad trains, were severally accepted. Subsequently Mr. Boardman moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the last named report was accepted, and the motion being considered was carried in the affirmative and the report was laid on the table.

The report on the order relative to the dissolution of certain corporations, was accepted.

Corpora-
tions.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Bills
enacted.

To incorporate the Somerville High School Association.

To incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company.

To authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road.

In addition to an act authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to lay out Hicks's Bridge as a public highway.

Concerning the preservation of ballots in towns.

To authorize the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road.

To incorporate the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association.

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett.

In further addition to act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year.

In relation to the Granite Railway Company.

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases.

An engrossed resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children (which originated in the House), passed.

N. E. Hos-
pital for
Women and
Children.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Boston &
Albany R.R.
Co.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the vote whereby the Senate concurred, in the adoption of the order for a convention of both branches on Thursday next, at 2½ o'clock, P.M., for the choice of two directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation on the part of the State, was reconsidered under a suspension of the rule, and the order was then amended by substituting the same hour on Thursday, March 2, for the same purpose, and the order was sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Return of
writs.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill concerning the return of writs issued by municipal and police courts, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

New England
Trust Co.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the New England Trust Company, reported

A bill in addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Aurora H. C.
Phelps et als.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, for the exemption of homes from taxation, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Municipal
Court of
Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Worcester,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enlarging the jurisdiction of the municipal court of Worcester, in civil cases.

Valuation
committees.

A communication was received from the Treasurer, transmitting a statement of the expenses of the Valuation committees for the years 1850, 1860 and 1864 respectively, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Union Ex-
change Co.
in Boston.

Mr. Boardman asked leave to introduce a bill extending the time for organizing the Union Exchange Company in the city of Boston, and the question on granting leave was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS—Messrs. Bartholomew,
Bradley,
Fox,
Park,
Sproat,
Wakefield,

Bates,
Crosby,
Greeley,
Pierce,
Tenney,
Whiting,

Boardman,
Elliot,
Monroe,
Safford,
Thayer, A.,
Whitney.—18.

NOTES.—Messrs. Bird,
Hawes,
Stickney.—7.

Clark, J. W.,
Howe,

Frost,
Richardson,

So the Senate refused to grant leave, and the bill was referred to the next General Court.

Mr Thayer of Worcester, presented a petition of the Worcester Horticultural Society, for an act authorizing the destruction of birds injurious to fruits and garden vegetables.

Worcester
Horticultural So-
ciety.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Tenney presented a petition of Mary W. McKenney, for State aid, on account of the military services of her husband.

Mary W.
McKenney.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Whiting presented a petition of J. O. Cole and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others.

Albert
Mason et al.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Hawes presented remonstrances of Franklin Bearse and others; and

S. S. Baxter
et al.

A. S. Phinney and others, severally against the petition of S. S. Baxter and others.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

To continue in force certain acts relating to the Merchants' Insurance Company in Boston (on the petition of the same);

To amend the act to incorporate the Nickerson's Wharf Company (on the petition of the same);

To incorporate the Westfield Water Works (on the petition of Samuel Fowler and others);

To incorporate the Athol Music Hall Association (on the petition of A. M. Sawyer and others);

To incorporate the Winchester Savings Bank (on the petition of John T. Manning and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolutions upon the subject of the fisheries (on the resolve upon the seizure of American fishing vessels), were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Fisheries.

A bill making additional appropriations for certain expenditures, authorized in the year 1870 and previous years, and for other purposes, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

A bill to authorize the organization of mutual fire insurance companies, was read and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Insurance
companies.

Attleborough.

A resolve to authorize the selectmen of the town of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead, was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Eastern R. R. Co.

A bill authorizing the Eastern Railroad Company to construct a draw in their bridge over Annisquam River in Gloucester, was read and referred to the committee on Railways.

Dedham.

A bill to incorporate a public library and reading-room in the town of Dedham, was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Severally in concurrence.

Samuel Smith et als.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Samuel Smith and others ;

Rockport.

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of the selectmen of Rockport, in behalf of Laura Lane, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Useful fishes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Fisheries consider the expediency of repealing or modifying section 81 of chapter 384 of the Acts of 1869, for encouraging the cultivation of useful fishes. Also

Union depots in Worcester.

That the committee on Railways consider the expediency of so amending chapter 264 of the Acts of the year 1869, in relation to union passenger and freight depots in Worcester, as to render the same operative for the purposes intended.

Harbor Commissioners.

A report of the harbor commissioners, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

John W. Bacon et als.

A petition of John W. Bacon and others, for an act of incorporation as the Trustees of the Morse - Institute of Natick ; and

Dukes County Academy.

A petition of the trustees and officers of the Dukes County Academy, for an appropriation in aid of the same, were referred to the committee on Education.

Col. Geo. H. Johnston.

A petition of Col. George H. Johnston, for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the defence of certain charges against himself, was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

J. H. Fairbanks et als.

A petition J. H. Fairbanks and others, for an act of incorporation as the Winchendon Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was referred to the committee on Insurance.

B. C. Marchant.

A petition of B. C. Marchant, for an increase of salary, as treasurer of Dukes County, was referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Cutler Laffin et als.

A petition of Cutler Laffin and others, concerning the establishment of fishways in Westford River, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Petitions of
The Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ; and
The Massachusetts Infant Asylum, were referred to the
committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petitions.

Petitions of

J. A. Hall and others ;

Samuel Butterfield and others ; and

Joseph F. Simonds and others, severally in aid of that of
C. W. Bellows and others ; and

C. W. Bel-
lows et als.

A petition of the town of Plymouth, in aid of that of
Albert Mason and others ; and

Albert
Mason et als.

A petition of D. B. Wingate and others, for the removal
of the passenger stations of the Boston and Albany Railroad
Company from Washington Street in Natick ; and

D. B. Win-
gate et als.

A petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Wor-
cester, for the removal of the railroad tracks from certain
streets in the city of Worcester ; and

Worcester,
city of.

A petition of Richard Ball and others, for authority to
construct a railroad to connect their estate with the Worces-
ter and Nashua Railroad ; and

Richard Ball
et als.

A remonstrance of George C. Winchester and others,
against the extension of the Boston, Barre and Gardner
Railroad, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R.

A petition of George C. Winchester and others, for an act
to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water ; and

Geo. C. Win-
chester et
als.

A remonstrance of Fitz J. Babson and others, against the
change of the laws respecting pilotage, were referred to the
committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Pilotage.

A petition of A. L. Tyler and others, for an act of incor-
poration as the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society, was
referred to the committee on Agriculture.

A. L. Tyler
et als.

Petitions of

Charles H. Nutt and others ;

E. G. Chapman and others ;

G. P. Wright and others ; and

George H. Davis and others, severally in aid of that of
J. B. Butterfield and others ; and

J. B. Butter-
field et als.

A petition of S. W. Crosby and others, that the county
commissioners of Dukes County may be authorized to build
a bridge over Menamsha Creek in said county, were severally
referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

S. W. Crosby
et als.

A petition of the Roxbury Young Men's Christian Associ-
ation, for a change of name, was referred to the committee
on Parishes and Religious Societies. Also

Roxbury
Young Men's
Christian
Assoc'n.

A petition of Simeon S. Waters and others, for authority
to sell a certain meeting-house in Millbury ;

Simeon S.
Waters et
als.

- Henry Noble and William C. Hill.** A petition of Henry Noble and William C. Hill, for compensation for certain services rendered as commissioners of the county of Berkshire ;
- Westport.** A petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Westford, that State aid may be granted to Amelia P. Lewis ;
- Tewksbury.** A petition of the selectmen of Tewksbury, for reimbursement of money paid as State aid to H. C. Merriam and wife ; and
- Petitions.** Petitions of
 Harriet Jacobs ;
 George W. Carter ;
 Louisa Parsons ; and
 James Thompson, severally for State aid ; and a petition of John Corthell and others, in aid of the last named petition, were severally referred to the committee on Claims.
 Severally in concurrence.
- Bills.** The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
 For the better protection of infants ;
 Concerning the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association ;
 To authorize the Weetamoe Mills to construct a wharf in Fall River, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- Railroad corporations.** The Senate bill to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.
- Duxbury Wharf Co.** The Senate bill to incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.
- Freight charges on railroads. Liquors.** The bill to regulate freight charges on railroads, was passed over.
 The report on the order relative to referring the question of the sale of intoxicating liquors to the decision of the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was accepted.
 Sent down for concurrence.
- Bills enacted.** The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—
 Authorizing the Attleborough Branch Railroad Company to increase its capital stock.
 To revive the charter of the Taunton Street Railway Company.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Eliza L. Freeland (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Eliza L. Freeland.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Bills to the governor.

To incorporate the Somerville High School Association.

To incorporate the Faneuil Hall Insurance Company in Boston.

To authorize the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to mortgage its road.

In addition to an act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to lay out Hicks's Bridge as a public highway.

Concerning the preservation of ballots in towns.

To authorize the reopening and maintaining an outlet from Lovell's Pond in the town of Barnstable.

To authorize the New Bedford and Taunton Railroad Corporation to extend its road.

To incorporate the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Malden Masonic Building Association.

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Everett.

In further addition to an act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year.

In relation to the Granite Railway Company.

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases. Also

A resolve in favor of the New England Hospital for Women and Children.

N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill making appropriations from the funds and the income of the funds herein mentioned, and for other purposes; and

Appropriations.

Mr. Whitney, from the same committee, on the resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, severally reported that the same ought to pass, with an amendment to the latter, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners.

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, submitted a similar report on the resolve to provide for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Tewksbury.

Boston
Board of
Trade.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the Boston Board of Trade, for the repeal of all laws requiring the payment of "head money," so called, by emigrants arriving at the ports of this Commonwealth.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A. H. Lunt
et als.
J. T. Ward
et als.

Mr. Fox presented remonstrances of

A. H. Lunt and others; and

J. T. Ward and others, severally against the repeal of the resolve in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Taxation of
bank shares,
etc.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of amending chapter 242 of the Acts of 1865, and chapter 349 of the Acts of 1868, concerning the returns and taxation of bank shares and associations for banking established under the laws of the United States.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Courts.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing county or district courts of inferior jurisdiction for trial of civil and criminal causes.

Papers from the House.

Liens on
buildings
and land.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land came up concurred, with an amendment, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize Albert W. Mann to extend Harris's Wharf in Boston (on the petition of the same);

To authorize the town of Medford to issue additional Water Fund Bonds (on the petition of the same);

To authorize the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company to lease a part of its railroad (on the petition of said company), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Statue of
John A.
Andrew.

A report of the joint special committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing 5,000 copies of the proceedings at the presentation of the statue of the late Governor Andrew, recommending that said order be adopted, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of purchasing for the State, for distribution, a certain number of copies of the "American Naturalist." American Naturalist.

A petition of Mary Brayton, for State aid, on account of the military services of her son; and Mary Brayton.

A petition of Theodore S. Harris, for compensation for damages sustained by reason of the firing of cannon on the Common; and Theodore S. Harris.

A petition of the officers of the First Light Battery, for compensation for a horse killed at the military encampment at Concord, were severally referred to the committee on Claims. First Light Battery.

A petition of Thomas C. Dean and others, in aid of that of the town of Raynham, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries. Town of Raynham.

A petition of A. J. French and others, for an act of incorporation as an insurance company, was referred to the committee on Insurance. A. J. French et als.

A petition of Walker and Brothers and others, in aid of that of Rufus H. Brown and others, was referred to the committee on Towns. Rufus H. Brown et als.

Petitions of

E. A. Badger and others; and

Henry O. Putnam and others, severally for the repeal of the law in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors and the reenactment of that of 1867, were referred to the committee on that subject. Intoxicating liquors.

Severally in concurrence.

A petition of H. Gardner, for authority to extend his wharf in Weymouth, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors, and a motion being made to suspend said rule on the part of the Senate, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:— H. Gardner.

YEAS —Messrs. Bird,
Clark, J. W.,
Frost,
Howe,
Rhodes,
Stickney,
Whitney.—19

Bradley,
Collins,
Greeley,
Monroe,
Richardson,
Wakefield,

Caswell,
Elliot,
Hawes,
Park,
Safford,
Whiting,

NAYS —Messrs. Bartholomew,
Crosby,
Goodman,
Pierce,
Willcomb,

Boardman,
Fletcher,
Kimball,
Tenney,
Wood.—14.

Clark, A. J.,
Fox,
Long,
Thayer, A.,

So the Senate refused to suspend the rule, and the petition was referred to the next General Court.

M. V. Jefferson et als.

A petition of M. V. Jefferson and others, for the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Holden, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking, and the motion to suspend said rule being made, the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Boardman,
Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,	Collins,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
Fox,	Frost,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Howe,
Kimball,	Monroe,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Richardson,	Safford,	Stickney,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Willcomb,
Wood.—31.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird, Bradley.—2.

So the rule was suspended and the petition referred, in concurrence.

Union Exchange Co.
in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Monroe, the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule, in order to refer the bill extending the time for organizing the Union Exchange Company in the city of Boston, was reconsidered, and the bill was thereupon referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Wm H. Swift et al.

The bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

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The remonstrance of Samuel E. Sewall and others, against the passage of the above-named bill, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Harbors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Manufacturing and other corporations.

Railroad trains.

The bill in addition to an act concerning manufacturing and other corporations, was taken from the table, and amended and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to putting off passengers from railroad trains, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
In addition to an act to incorporate the New England
Trust Company ;

To incorporate the Winchester Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Athol Music Hall Association ;

To incorporate the Westfield Water Works ;

To continue in force certain acts relating to the Merchants'
Insurance Company in Boston, were severally read a second
time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill concerning the return of writs issued by
municipal and police courts, was, in accordance with the
report of the committee thereon, rejected.

The bill to amend an act to incorporate the Nickerson's
Wharf Company, was read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

The resolutions upon the subject of the Fisheries, passed
in concurrence.

The Senate bill for the better protection of infants, was
read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to regulate freight charges on railroads,
was passed over.

The House bills,

Concerning the Lynn Odd Fellows' Hall Association ;

To authorize the Weetamoe Mills to construct a wharf in
Fall River, were severally read a third time and passed to be
engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate report on the petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps
and others, for the exemption of homes from taxation, was
accepted.

The House reports on the petitions of

The selectmen of Rockport ; and

Samuel Smith and others, were severally accepted in con-
currence.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which orig-
inated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid
before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To incorporate the Trustees of the Consumptives' Home.

To incorporate the Weetamoe Mills in the city of Fall
River.

To authorize the American Congregational Association to
hold additional real and personal estate.

To confirm the proceedings of the First Presbyterian
Church in Boston.

Concerning the Boston and Providence Railroad Corpora-
tion.

Bills.

Courts, writs
issued by.

Nickerson's
Wharf Co.

Fisheries.

Infants.

Freight
charges on
railroads.

Bills.

Aurora H. C.
Phelps et al.

Selectmen of
Rockport.
Samuel
Smith et al.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To incorporate the Brookline Savings Bank.

To authorize the town of Northampton to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the Smith College.

To change the name of the Proprietors of the Odd Fellows' Hall in the city of Boston, and for other purposes.

In addition to an act concerning the Old Colony and Newport Railway and the Granite Railway Companies, and to authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to increase its capital stock.

• Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Tuesday was read.

Boston.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain land in the city of Boston; and

Police court
in Fitch-
burg.

Mr. Richardson, from said committee, on the bill providing for a clerk of the Police Court of Fitchburg, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and these bills were severally ordered to a second reading.

Hoosac Tun-
nel and Troy
and Green-
field R. R.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Printing, on the order for printing certain extra copies of the report of the committee of 1870, on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, reported that the same ought to pass, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Coal, duties
on.

Mr. Willcomb, on leave, introduced a resolve in relation to the repeal of the duties on coal, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Collins,—

Flats of the
Common-
wealth.

Ordered, That the Auditor furnish to the Legislature, a statement of all amounts paid for services rendered and expenses incurred under sections 3 and 5 of chapter 854 of the Acts of the year 1867; chapter 95 of the Resolves of the year 1867, and the order of the House of Representatives of 1869, relating to the occupation and improvement of the flats of the Commonwealth: including in such statement all sums paid to engineers, and all other persons, and the amounts to each, and all sums paid for maps, charts and plans, and for printing, engraving and lithographing the same.

Mr. Crosby presented a petition of the selectmen of Ware, Selectmen of Ware. for a new set of weights and measures.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Collins presented a remonstrance of Commodore Pilotage. Charles Steadman and others, against any change in the laws concerning pilotage.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester presented a petition of certain Record of Massachusetts Volunteers. soldiers and officers of the 15th Massachusetts Regiment, that the record of officers and soldiers of Massachusetts published under the direction of the Adjutant-General, may be corrected, and the present edition thereof may be suppressed.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A communication was received from the Treasurer, in compliance with an order of the Senate, transmitting a statement of amounts paid to the Harbor and Land Commissioners Harbor and Land Commissioners. for services and expenses, etc., since January, 1866; and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Boston Pier or Long Wharf, Boston Pier, or Long Wharf. reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

A bill for the better discovery of testimony and the protection of witnesses before the joint special committee on the State Police, State police. was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to authorize the abutters on Herring River in Fairhaven, to erect flood gates across the channel of said river, and for other purposes (on the petition of B. H. Chase and others), Herring River in Fairhaven. was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill to amend chapter 337 of the Acts of 1870, to amend the charter of the city of Boston, Boston. was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Horse Railways consider the expediency of a general law for the formation of horse railway companies and the construction of horse railroads. Also Horse railway companies, general law for the formation of.

That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be authorized to take such measures as he may deem proper to obtain three hundred and fifty copies of the report of Hon. David A. David A. Wells, report of.

Wells, the special commissioner on taxation for the State of New York, for the use of the Legislature. Also

Gen Lippitt's Practical Treatise on the Art of War.

That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of supplying the several organizations of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, with General Lippitt's Practical Treatise on the Art of War.

Albert Mason et als.

A petition of William L. Reed and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others, was referred to the committee on Railways, in concurrence.

Statue of John A. Andrew.

•A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the order concerning an inscription to be placed upon the pedestal of the statue of John A. Andrew, had been rejected by that branch.

Bills.

The bills,

To change the time of holding the terms of the superior court for the county of Berkshire, for criminal business ;

To amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land ; and

Mischievous dogs.

The report on the order relative to the better protection of travellers from mischievous dogs, were severally taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Wm. H. Swift et al.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant ; and

Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham. Bills.

The resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners, at Dedham, were severally passed over.

The bills,

Making appropriations from the funds and income of the funds herein mentioned, and for other purposes ;

To authorize the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company to lease a part of its railroad ;

To authorize the town of Medford to issue additional water fund bonds ;

To authorize Albert W. Mann to extend Harris's Wharf in Boston ; and

Tewksbury, hospital at.

The resolve providing for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

North Cambridge and Somerville Street Railway Co.

The bill to incorporate the North Cambridge and Somerville Street Railway Company, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Clark, A. J.,
Pierce,
Whiting,

Bartholomew,
Elliot,
Tenney,
Whitney,

Boardman,
Park,
Wakefield,
Wood.—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird, Bradley, Caswell,
 Clark, J. W., Fletcher, Greeley,
 Kimball, Packard, Rhodes,
 Richardson, Stearns, Thayer, S.,
 Willcomb.—13

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Winchester Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Athol Music Hall Association ;

To amend an act to incorporate the Nickerson's Wharf Company ;

To continue in force certain acts relating to the Merchants' Insurance Company in Boston, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate bill concerning manufacturing and other corporations, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Manufacturing and other corporations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to regulate freight charges on railroads, was ordered to be engrossed.

Freight charges on railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

The report on the order relative to the putting off of passengers from railroad trains in certain cases, was recommended with instructions to report a bill in relation thereto.

Railroad trains.

The House report relative to printing copies of the proceedings at the presentation of the statue of the late Governor Andrew, was accepted in concurrence.

Statue of John A. Andrew.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Bills enacted.

To change the harbor lines in Gloucester Harbor.

To incorporate the Boston Art Club.

To incorporate the North Attleborough Union Building Association.

To authorize Samuel Ingalls to construct a wharf in Winthrop.

To authorize the town of Medford to construct a bridge over Mystic River.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Worcester,—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider what changes, if any, are necessary in the Acts of 1870, chapter 370, relative to the appointment of commissioners of Prisons, and for the classification and better discipline of prisoners.

Prison Commissioners.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Benj. Derby
et al.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Benjamin Derby and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Wm. H.
Swift et al.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, to whom was referred the remonstrance of Samuel E. Sewall, against the passage of the bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report being considered, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill to authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Harbors, and the report being considered was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Duxbury
and Cohasset
R. R. Co.

Mr. Bates presented a petition of the town of Duxbury, in aid of the passage of the bill to authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its road, and for other purposes.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Railroads,
security of
passengers
on.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommitted the report on the order relative to the putting off of passengers from railroad trains, with certain instructions, reported

A bill to better provide for the security of passengers on railroads, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

B. H. and E.
R. R. Co.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That one hundred copies of the message of the Governor, transmitting copies of the decrees of the supreme judicial court, relating to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, be placed at the disposal of the Attorney-General.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill relating to partition of lands was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Partition of lands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of furnishing Dean Academy of Franklin with muskets from the State Arsenal, for the use of the pupils of said academy. Dean Academy.

A bill to incorporate the Boston and Portland Railway Trust Company, from the files of last year; and Boston and Portland Railway Trust Co.
 Petitions of Albert Mason et als.
 Caleb Loud and others; and
 Marshall Henshaw and others; and

A petition of Josiah Gifford and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

A remonstrance of James M. Stone and others, against the annexation of the city of Charlestown to the city of Boston, was referred to the committee on Towns. Geo. W. Warren et als.

A petition of Almon Brainard and others, for the repeal of the present law in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1867; and Intoxicating liquors.

A memorial of the Union Republican League in regard to the same subject and the enactment of a license law, were referred to the committee having charge of the matter.

Severally in concurrence.

A petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, for leave to hold additional real and personal estate, came up referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and the Chair ruling that its admission was in contravention of the 17th joint rule, a motion was made to suspend said rule, and the question thereon was taken and it was carried in the negative, and the petition was accordingly referred to the next General Court. N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Hartley Williams, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, and the report was accepted, and the petition was sent down for concurrence. Hartley Williams.

On motion of Mr. Rhodes,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions inquire as to whether any charitable institutions are Charitable institutions.

North Cam-
bridge and
Somerville
Street Rail-
way Co.

now holding more real estate than allowed by their acts of incorporation, and if so, what legislation, if any, is necessary.

Mr. Collins moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the North Cambridge and Somerville Street Railway Company was refused a third reading, and the motion being considered, the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Boardman, Park, Tenney,	Collins, Pierce, Wakefield.—8.	Fox, Stickney,
NAYS.—Messrs. Bates, Crosby, Howe, Monroe, Stearns,	Bird, Goodman, Kimball, Packard, Thayer, S.,	Bradley, Greeley, Long, Rhodes, Willcomb.—15.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill, To change the time for holding the terms of the superior court for the county of Berkshire, was ordered to a third reading.

The bills,

In addition to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Boston Pier or the Long Wharf;

To cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain lands in the city of Boston;

Providing for a clerk of the police court of Fitchburg;

To authorize the abutters on Herring River in Fairhaven, to erect flood-gates across the channel of said river, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

N. E. Trust
Co.

The bill in addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company, was read a third time, and the committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported the same in a new draft, it was read three times under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The above bill was also ordered to be printed.

Dogs, pro-
tection of
travellers
from.

The report on the order relative to the better protection of travellers from dogs, was further considered, and Mr. Stearns proposed as a substitute for said report, a bill concerning mischievous dogs, and the bill being considered, was rejected, and the report was accepted.

Hoosac Tun-
nel and Troy
and Green-
field R. R.

The report on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the report of the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

The House bills,

Bills.

Making appropriations from funds and the income of the funds herein mentioned, and for other purposes ;

To authorize the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company to lease a part of its railroad ;

To authorize the town of Medford to issue additional water fund bonds ;

To authorize Albert W. Mann to extend Harris's Wharf in Boston ; and

The House resolve providing for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Tewksbury,
hospital at.

The bill to amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land, was next considered, and the amendment proposed thereto by the House, adopted in concurrence.

Liens on
buildings
and land.

The bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant, was ordered to a third reading.

Wm. H.
Swift et al.

The resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, was further considered, and the amendment proposed by the committee on the Treasury adopted, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Temporary
Asylum for
Discharged
Female
Prisoners at
Dedham.

An engrossed bill to regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing and other purposes (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted.

Wenham
Lake.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, February 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Gottlieb F. Burkhardt and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for works of mercy, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Evangelical
Lutheran
Church.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1870 and previous years, and for other purposes, reported that the same ought to pass with certain amendments, and the bill was read twice, amended

Appropriations.

as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Charles O.
Shove et als.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Charles O. Shove and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Abatement
of taxes.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the order relative to abatement of tax on real and personal estate, and on drain, sewer and betterment assessments in certain cases; and

Second
offences.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the order relative to punishment of second offences; and

Probate
courts.

On the order relative to extending the jurisdiction of probate courts to divorce cases and equity suits, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Edw'd Earle;
et als.

Mr. Bird, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on the petition of Edward Earle and others, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to a joint special committee to consist of the committees on the Judiciary on the part of the Senate and House, and the report was considered and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Real estate.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill relative to conveyances of real estate by married women, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint special committee on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the rights of married women to their property and their children, and the report was accepted, and the bill was sent down for concurrence.

G. Washing-
ton Warren
et als.

Mr. Howe presented a petition of John Allen and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Horse Rail-
road Cos.

The President presented a report of the Railroad Commissioners, on the general laws applicable to Horse Railroad Corporations, and the same was referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A report of the committee on Insurance, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. L. Murdock and others ; and A. L. Murdock et als.

A report of the committee on Education, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. St. John Chambré and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. A. St. John Chambré et als.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the subject of narrow gauge upon railroads be authorized to report in print. Also Railroads.

That the committee on Mercantile Affairs inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in regard to the measurement and sales of grain and meal. Grain and meal.

A petition of Charles M. Duncan, in behalf of James Sweeney, for State aid, on account of the military services of his father, was referred to the committee on Claims. Charles M. Duncan.

Remonstrances of

The selectmen of Northampton ; and

George J. Smith and others, severally against the petition of Milo J. Smith and others, were referred to the committee on Towns. Milo J. Smith et als.

Petitions of

W. C. Chapin and others ;

Moses W. Lockwood and others ;

E. C. Turner and others ; and

Webster Hazlewood and others, severally for the reenactment of the law of 1867, respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors, were referred to the joint special committee on that subject. Intoxicating liquors.

Petitions of

B. T. Witherell and others ;

D. L. Jepson and others ;

Dexter Beals and others ; and

D. L. Campbell and others, severally in aid of that of D. L. Harris and others ; and D. L. Harris et als.

A petition of William S. Meservey and others, in aid of that of the mayor of Salem and others, were referred to the committee on Railways. Salem.

Severally in concurrence.

Mr. Rhodes moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate refused a suspension of the rule, in order to refer the petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children. N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

Children for leave to hold additional real and personal estate, and the motion being considered, the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS —Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Boardman,
Caswell,	Collins,	Crosby,
Elliot,	Kimball,	Long,
Monroe,	Park,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Safford,	Sproat,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Willcomb.—20.	
NAYS.—Messrs. Bird.	Clark, J. W.,	Fletcher,
Frost,	Goodman,	Howe,
Packard,	Richardson,	Stearns.—9.

So the Senate refused to reconsider, three-fourths of the Senate not voting in the affirmative.

Boston Pier
or Long
Wharf.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate bill in relation to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Boston Pier or the Long Wharf, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Wm. H.
Swift et al.

The Senate bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,
To change the time of holding the terms of the Superior Court for the county of Berkshire, for criminal business ;

To cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain land in the city of Boston ;

Providing for a clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ;

To authorize the abutters on Herring River in Fairhaven to erect flood-gates across the chanhel of said river, and for other purposes, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Asylum for
Discharged
Female
Prisoners at
Dedham.

The House resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Benj. Derby
et al.

The Senate report on the petition of Benjamin Derby and others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill requiring the return of amount paid for assessing Taxes. and collecting taxes in the Commonwealth in the year 1870;

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Moses Barnes and others, reported

A bill to authorize the town of Dudley to raise fifteen Dudley. thousand dollars for Nichols Academy; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on Corporation stocks. the order relative to the taxation of corporation stocks held by firms in the firm name; also

On the order in relation to the taxation of bank shares Bank shares. held by firms in the firm name; and

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the order in relation to providing for a uniformity for text-books Text-books in public schools. in the public schools, and also for their publication and sale; severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these bills were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Fox,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider Tax on receipts of railroads. the expediency of levying a tax upon the gross receipts of the railroads in the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Sproat,—

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be Roads and bridges, committee on. authorized to visit such places for a view as in the course of their inquiries may become necessary.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Supreme judicial court. the expediency of providing by law for the furnishing of proofs of the opinions of the supreme judicial court, to the judges of the several courts in advance of their publication.

A communication from the Auditor, transmitting state- Common-wealth stats. ments in compliance with an order of the Senate, of amounts paid for services rendered and expenses incurred under the Acts and Resolves of 1867, and under the order of the House of 1869, relating to the occupation and improvement

of the flats of the Commonwealth, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjutant-General.
Trustees of
the Antietam
National
Cemetery.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the Adjutant-General, together with a communication from the Trustees of the Antietam National Cemetery; and the latter was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, and the former referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Charles and
Miller's
Rivers.

Mr. Frost presented a remonstrance of J. T. Heard and others, against closing Charles and Miller's Rivers to the passage of vessels of a certain class.

Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Lexington
Savings
Bank.

A bill to incorporate the Lexington Savings Bank (on the petition of Charles Hudson and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves,

Soldiers' tes-
timonials.

In relation to soldiers' testimonials (on the order relative to amending chapter 53 of the Resolves of 1869);

James M. W.
Yerrinton.

In favor of James M. W. Yerrinton (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Jeremiah
Stone et als.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Jeremiah Stone and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Hartley Wil-
liams.

The petition of Hartley Williams, came up non-concurred in the reference thereof to the committee on Expenditures, and thereupon the Senate receded from its vote of reference, and the petition was re-committed to the committee on the Judiciary.

S. S. Baxter
et als.

A remonstrance of Abishai Phinney and others, against the petition of S. S. Baxter and others, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Robert E.
Apthorp et
als.

A petition of Augustus G. Greenwood and others, in aid of that of Robert E. Apthorp and others, was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Boston
Eight-Hour
League.

A memorial of the Boston Eight-Hour League, for the passage of a law making eight hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Petitions of

C. P. Haynes and others ;
James Scully and others ;
D. F. Hammond and others ;
R. Morrison and others ; and

G. Washington Warren
et als.

Clark E. Davis and others, severally in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy, was read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading.

Evangelical
Lutheran
Church.

The report on the order relative to extending the jurisdiction of probate courts to divorce cases and equity suits, was accepted.

Divorce
cases, etc.

The reports on the orders,

Relative to the abatement of taxes in certain cases ;
Relative to the punishment for second offences ; and

Taxes.

Second
offences.

On the petition of Charles O. Shove and others, were severally laid on the table.

Charles O.
Shove et als.

The House reports on the petitions of

A. L. Murdock and others ; and

A. L. Murdock et als.
A. St. John Chambré.

A. St. John Chambré, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

Bills enacted and to Governor.

To incorporate the Smith College.

Relating to the punishment for arson, burglary and other offences.

To authorize the Weetamoe Mills to construct a wharf in Fall River.

To amend an act to incorporate the Nickerson's Wharf Company.

The following bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To change the harbor lines in Gloucester Harbor.

To incorporate the Boston Art Club.

To incorporate the North Attleborough Union Building Association.

To authorize Samuel Ingalls to construct a wharf in Winthrop.

To authorize the town of Medford to construct a bridge over Mystic River.

To regulate the use of Wenham Lake for bathing and other purposes.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 28, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

State Police.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill for the better discovery of testimony and the protection of witnesses before the joint special committee on the State Police, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Bryant Literary Society of Williams College.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the bill to incorporate the Bryant Literary Society of Williams College, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

E. B. Bassett.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Rev. E. B. Bassett, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Charles and Miller's Rivers.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the order relative to closing Charles and Miller's Rivers to the passage of a certain class of vessels; and

Children, relative to apprenticing

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the order relative to apprenticing children from public institutions, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Trial justices.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of magistrates and trial justices taking affidavits, receiving complaints and issuing warrants in any county of the Commonwealth. Also

Attachments.

That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the dissolution of attachments.

G. Washington Warren et al.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of M. F. O'Neil and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others. Referred to the committee on Towns.

S. S. Baxter et al.

Mr. Atwood presented remonstrances of A. F. Crowell and others; and

Eben S. Smith and others, severally against the petition of S. S. Baxter and others.

Hampden County.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

The Senate bill authorizing the county commissioners of

Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes, came up concurred with amendments in the first and second sections, and the Senate concurred in that, striking out the words, "select and," and inserting the words, "purchase or otherwise," and non-concurred in the remaining amendments.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to the sealing of weights and measures, was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Sealing weights and measures.

A remonstrance of Calvin Hale and others, against the petition of Henry Fowler and others, was referred to the committee on Towns. Henry Fowler et als.

A petition of T. W. Richardson and others, for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor. T. W. Richardson et als.

Remonstrances of

John A. Clark and others ;

Thomas A. Hopkins and others ;

Simeon Atwood and others ; and

Albert Mason et als.

S. H. Gould and others, severally against the petition of Albert Mason and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To authorize the town of Dudley to raise fifteen thousand dollars for Nichols Academy ;

Requiring return of amounts paid for assessing and collecting taxes in the Commonwealth, in the year 1870 ;

To incorporate the Lexington Savings Bank, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report relative to providing for a uniformity of text-books to be used in the public schools, was accepted. Text-books.

Sent down for concurrence.

The reports on the orders relative to the taxation of bank and corporation shares when held by firms in the firm name, were severally accepted. Taxation of bank and corporation shares.

The House report on the petition of Jeremiah Stone and others was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Federal Relations, reported the resolve in relation to the repeal of the duties on Coal, repeal of the duties on.

coal without amendment, and the same, being considered under a suspension of the rule, was passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Tenney,—

Property
near military
encamp-
ments.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of further legislation for the protection and security of property in the vicinity of military encampments.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Partition of
lands.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill relating to partition of lands; and

Resolves.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolves,

In favor of Edward S. Philbrick;

In relation to soldiers' testimonials;

In favor of James M. W. Yerrinton, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were accordingly ordered to a second reading.

Edwin Chase
et al.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Edwin Chase and others, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Moses Fairbanks and others, reported

Wollaston
Hotel Co.
Boston Base
Ball Associa-
tion.

A bill to incorporate the Wollaston Hotel Company.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Ivers W. Adams and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association.

Duxbury
and Cohas-
set R. R. Co.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its road and for other purposes, reported the same in a new draft.

Lowell Gas
Light Co.

Mr. A. J. Clark, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Lowell Gas Light Company, reported

Attach-
ments, dis-
solution of.

A bill to increase the capital stock of the Lowell Gas Light Company.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill in relation to the dissolution of attachments ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors inquire and report the nature and amount of the yearly traffic through the draws of Charles River and Fort Point Channel ; also the amount of yearly traffic over said river and channel, including freight by rail and teams, carriages of various kinds, and passengers by steam railroads, street railroads, on foot and by all other conveyances.

Charles
River and
Fort Point
Channel.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad inquire and report the amount of the residue of the proceeds of the scrip now remaining in the hands of Baring Brothers and Company, issued by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth in aid of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, with the names of the claimants, and the nature and amount of their respective claims ; also that said committee procure from the Attorney-General an opinion, or a copy of any opinion already given, as to the validity of such claims.

B. H. and E.
R. R. Co.

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to communicate to the Legislature, the report of the Commissioners appointed under chapter 51 of the Resolves of 1870, in relation to disabled soldiers.

Disabled
soldiers.

Mr. Bates presented a petition of J. H. Mitchell and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others.

Albert Ma-
son et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Pierce presented petitions of C. C. Partridge and others and William H. Dillon and others ; and

G. Washing-
ton Warren
et als.

Mr. Parks, a petition of H. O. Stratton and others ; and

Mr. Greeley, a petition of E. Banfield and others ; and

Mr. Fox, a petition of Francis S. Williams and others ; and

Mr. Collins, a petition of A. S. Adams and others, severally in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Fletcher presented a petition of W. H. Flanders and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of Frederick Redfern and others ; and

Labor.

Labor. Mr. Stickney, a petition of Patrick Cooke and others, severally for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

**Hitchcock
Free Gram-
mar School
in Brimfield.**

Mr. Bartholomew presented a petition of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School in Brimfield, for a change of name and for other purposes, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 17th rule of the two branches, to the committee on Education.

**Disabled
soldiers.**

Mr. Fox presented remonstrances of James A. Munroe and others ; William H. Hurd and others ; John H. Lakin and others ; George S. Worcester and others ; and Giles H. Rich and others, severally against a repeal of the resolve of last year, in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

**John G.
Loring et al.**

Mr. Parks presented a petition of John G. Loring and others, for the repeal or modification of the laws relative to the observance of the Lord's day.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Hampden
County.**

A message was received from the House of Representatives, requesting the return to that branch of the bill authorizing the county commissioners of Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes, and the same was returned in compliance with the request.

Subsequently said bill came up with the endorsement to the effect that the House recedes from the amendments at B and C in said bill, and proposes an amendment to the same, viz.: insert a new section after section four ; and the Senate concurred in the adoption of said amendment.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

In relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the city of Boston (new draft of the Senate bill relative to the subject) ;

To incorporate the Hyde Park Savings Bank (on the petition of William T. Thacher and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves,

In favor of the House of the Angel Guardian (on the petition of the Trustees of the same) ;

In favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A resolve in favor of disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments (on the petition of the commissioners on that subject, and on an order relative to the repeal of the resolve of last year), was read and recommitted to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Disabled soldiers.

The resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, came up non-concurred in the amendment proposed thereto by the Senate, and the Senate thereupon *insisted* on the amendment, and the resolve was returned to the House. Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham.

A communication from the Treasurer of the Commonwealth covering a statement of the amount of money credited in that department to volunteers during the war for allotments, was referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Allotments.

Remonstrances of

Lewis S. Parsons and others ; and

James M. Shores and others, severally against the petition of Archibald Taft and others ; and Archibald Taft et als.

A petition of A. H. Allen and others, in aid of the petition for the annexation of Charlestown to Boston, were severally referred to the committee on Towns. A. H. Allen et als.

A petition of S. M. Bubier and others, and of the Boston Carpet Dealers and others, severally for repeal of a part of section 54 of chapter 161 of the general laws, relating to the purchase of goods under false pretences, were referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. S. M. Bubier et als.

A petition of Edwin J. Whitney and others, for the reenactment of the law of 1867, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, was referred to the joint special committee on that subject. Edwin J. Whitney et als.

Remonstrances of

David Kelley and others ;

M. S. F. Tobey and others ;

Matthias Ellis and others ;

Sanford Robbins and others ;

Z. H. Small and others ;

Obed Baxter and others ;

C. C. Baker and others ;

Thomas Harris and others ;

J. A. D. Worster and others ;

Obed Baker, 2d, and others ;

Joseph Haskell and others ;

Albert Mason et als.

Obed Delano and others ;
Amos Otis and others ; and

J. S. Howes and others, severally against the petition of Albert Mason and others, were severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Archibald
Taft et als.

A remonstrance of Benjamin Wheeler and others, against the petition of Archibald Taft and others, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally in concurrence.

Blue Hill
Land Co.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company, came up concurred with amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

State Police.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill for the better discovery of testimony and the protection of witnesses before the joint special committee on the State Police, was read a second time, and the amendment proposed thereto by the committee on the Judiciary was rejected, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bryant Lit-
erary Society
of Williams
College.

The bill to incorporate the Bryant Literary Society of Williams College was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Charles
and Miller's
Rivers.

The report on the order relative to closing Charles and Miller's Rivers to the passage of a certain class of vessels, was laid on the table.

Minor chil-
dren.

The reports on the orders relative to apprenticing minor children from charitable institutions ; and

Rev. E. B.
Bassett.

On the petition of Rev. E. B. Bassett, were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Dudley, town
of.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Dudley to raise fifteen thousand dollars for Nichols Academy, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxes.

The Senate bill requiring return of amounts paid for assessing and collecting taxes in the Commonwealth in the year 1870, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lexington
Savings
Bank.

The House bill to incorporate the Lexington Savings Bank, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval :—

To incorporate the Central Savings Bank in Lowell.

To revive the Waltham Bank for certain purposes.

To amend chapter 150 of the General Statutes, in relation to liens on buildings and land.

To authorize the town of Medford to issue additional water fund bonds.

To authorize Albert W. Mann to extend Harris's Wharf in Boston.

To continue in force certain acts relating to the Merchants' Insurance Company in Boston.

Making appropriations from the funds and income of the funds herein mentioned, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Winchester Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Athol Music Hall Association.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 2, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Bradley, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the order relative to the expediency of amending section 30 of chapter 384 of the Acts of 1869, reported

Black bass.

A bill for the better protection of black bass.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of the Wellesley Congregational Society, reported

Wellesley Congregational Society.

A bill to authorize the Wellesley Congregational Society to sell real estate.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to issuing warrants in any county, reported

Magistrates and trial justices.

A bill relating to the jurisdiction of magistrates and trial justices.

Mr. A. J. Clark, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Amos P. Tapley and others, reported

City Bank of Lynn.

A bill to revive the City Bank of Lynn for certain purposes.

Mr. Long, from the committee on Horse Railways, on the petition of A. S. Evans and others, reported

Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Co.

A bill to incorporate the Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Company; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was

Board of Harbor Commissioners.

placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Samuel Hillman et al.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Charles Hillman and another, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

G. Washington Warren et al.

Mr. Stickney presented a petition of George F. Ross and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

W. B. C. Pearsons et al.

Mr. Stearns presented a petition of W. B. C. Pearsons and others, for the establishment of a police court in the town of Holyoke.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

Millbury Building Co.

A bill to incorporate the Millbury Building Company (on the petition of John Rhodes and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize the county commissioners of Berkshire County to borrow money ;

Relating to county law libraries, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Insane persons and minors.

The Senate bill to protect the rights of insane persons and minors, came up concurred with an amendment in the title, striking out the same, and inserting instead thereof the following, " An act to confer certain rights upon guardians of insane persons and minors," and the amendment was adopted in concurrence.

Report of the Inspector of Gas and Gasmeters.

A report of the committee on Manufactures, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gasmeters, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A. P. Blake et al.

A report discharging the same committee from the further consideration of the petition of A. P. Blake and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Henry Fowler et al.

A remonstrance of Henry Gates and others, against the petition of Henry Fowler and others ; and

G. Washington Warren.

Petitions of

William S. Allen and others ;

J. F. Sampson and others ;

Moses H. Piper and others ;

H. H. Meloon and others ;

A. D. Parker and others ;

Charles T. Powell and others ; and

W. L. C. Potter and others, severally in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others, were referred to the committee on Towns. G. Washington Warren et als.

A petition of Oliver F. Jones and others, in aid of that of S. S. Baxter and others, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries. S. S. Baxter et als.

A petition of Edward Nichols and others, in aid of that of Albert Mason and others, was referred to the committee on Railways. Albert Mason et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Westfield Water Works, was taken from the table and ordered to be engrossed in concurrence. Westfield Water Works.

The report on the order relative to punishment for second offences, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Second offences.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

To incorporate the Wollaston Hotel Company ;

To authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its railroad, and for other purposes ;

In relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Hyde Park Savings Bank ; and Resolves.

The resolves,

In favor of Edward S. Philbrick ;

In favor of James M. W. Yerrinton, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association, was read a second time, amended, and refused a third reading. Boston Base Ball Association.

The Senate bill to increase the capital stock of the Lowell Gas Light Company, was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed. Lowell Gas Light Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill in relation to the dissolution of attachments, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Dissolution of attachments.

The bill in relation to the partition of lands, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading. Partition of lands.

The resolve in relation to soldiers' testimonials, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Soldiers' testimonials.

Pursuant to assignment the two branches met in

Convention,

B. and A. R.
R. Corpora-
tion.

For the purpose of choosing two directors on the part of the Commonwealth, of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation, and Messrs. Pierce and Wood of the Senate, and Messrs. Pratt of Boston, Torrey of Worcester, Southworth of West Springfield and Howe of Brighton, of the House were appointed a committee to receive, assort, and count the votes therefor, and the committee having attended to the duty assigned them, reported through their chairman that it appeared that Messrs. Moses Kimball and Avery Plumer of Boston, were elected.

The two branches separated.

On motion of Mr. Wood,—

rb.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Senate give notice to Messrs. Moses Kimball and Avery Plumer that they have been duly elected directors on the part of the Commonwealth, for the term of two years, of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation; also that he give notice to the clerk of said corporation of the election of the above-named gentlemen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills enact-
ed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society.

To incorporate the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital at Worcester.

To change the time of holding the terms of the superior court for the County of Berkshire for criminal business.

To authorize the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company to lease a part of its railroad.

To provide a clerk for the police court of Fitchburg.

To authorize the abutters on Herring River in Fairhaven to erect flood-gates across the channel of said river, and for other purposes.

Tewksbury,
hospital at.

An engrossed resolve providing for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury (which originated in the House), passed.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 3, 1871..

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph Fuller, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Joseph
Fuller.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the bill to authorize the Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes to hold additional real and personal estate, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Clarke Insti-
tution for
Deaf Mutes.

Papers from the House.

A bill to amend an act for the abatement of a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston.

A bill to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Young Men's
Christian
Association
of Fitchburg.
Haverhill
bridge.

A bill for the maintenance and repair of Haverhill Bridge, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th rule of the joint rules and orders of the two branches, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the bill was returned to the House.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of George W. Tarbox, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

George W.
Tarbox.

A resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution in relation to the qualification of voters (from the files of last year), was referred in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitu-
tion, amend-
ment of.

A petition of C. H. Sherman, in aid of that of S. S. Baxter and others, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

S. S. Baxter
et als.

A petition of Henry P. Doyle, for State aid, on account of military services, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Henry P.
Doyle.

A petition of Douglas Frazar, for amendment of the laws relating to the militia so as to authorize the appointment of battalion chaplains, was referred the committee on Military Affairs.

Douglas
Frazar.

Petitions of L. F. Willcutt and others, and Joseph H. Billings and others, severally for authority to build and maintain a railroad from Medfield to some point on the West

L. F. Will-
cutt et als.
Joseph Bil-
lings et als.

Roxbury and Dedham Branch of the Boston and Providence Railroad ; and

Worcester. A remonstrance of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company, against the petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Worcester, were severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

Boston Base Ball Association. Mr. Monroe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association was refused a third reading, and the motion being considered was laid on the table.

Bills. The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
For the better protection of black bass ;

To revive the City Bank of Lynn for certain purposes ;

Millbury Building Co. To incorporate the Millbury Building Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Wellesley Congregational Society. The bill to authorize the Wellesley Congregational Society to sell real estate, was read a second time, amended, and laid on the table.

Magistrates and trial justices. The bill relating to the jurisdiction of magistrates and trial justices, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

Second offences. The report on the order relative to punishment for second offences, was laid on the table.

Samuel Hillman et al. The Senate report on the petition of Samuel Hillman and another, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Inspector of gas and gas-meters. The House report on the annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gasmeters, was accepted in concurrence.

Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Co. The bill to incorporate the Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Company, was ordered to be placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday next.

Bills. The bills,
To establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners ;
In relation to the partition of lands, were severally passed over.

Wollaston Hotel Co. The Senate bill to incorporate the Wollaston Hotel Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Duxbury and Cohasset R. R. Co. The Senate bill to authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its railroad, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in relation to the dissolution of attachments, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Attachments, dissolution of.
 Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills, Bills.
 In relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Hyde Park Savings Bank ; and

The House resolves, Resolves.
 In favor of Edward S. Philbrick ;

In favor of James M. W. Yerrinton, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House resolve in relation to soldiers' testimonials, Soldiers' testimonials.
 was read a third time, as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The annual report of the State Board of Health, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Education. State Board of Health.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the abatement of taxes in certain cases, was taken from the table and accepted. Taxes.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :— Bills enacted and to Governor.

To authorize the county commissioners of Hampden County to take land, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Blue Hill Land Company.

Making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1870 and previous years, and for other purposes.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval :—

To incorporate the North Bridgewater Agricultural Society. Bills to Governor.

To incorporate the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital at Worcester.

To provide a clerk for the police court of Fitchburg.

To authorize the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company to lease part of its railroad.

To authorize the abutters on Herring River in Fairhaven to erect flood-gates across the channel of said river, and for other purposes.

To change the time of holding the terms of the superior court for the county of Berkshire for criminal business ; also

Tewksbury,
hospital at.

A resolve providing for the erection of a hospital at Tewksbury.

Asylum for
Discharged
Female Prisoners at
Dedham.

The resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, came from the House, and that branch *insists* on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment therein, and Messrs. Beard of Brookline, Stedman of Boston, and Bullard of Dedham are appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses ; and thereupon the Senate *adhered* to its amendments, and the resolve was returned to the House.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, March 4, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Berkshire
County.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill to authorize the county commissioners of Berkshire County to borrow money, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

County law
libraries.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the bill relating to county law libraries, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday next, on the question of rejection.

Supreme judicial court.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to providing that proofs of the decisions of the supreme judicial court shall be furnished to the judges of the several courts in advance of publication, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk, from the first Tuesday of October to the second Thursday of September in each year.

. On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Harbor and
Land Commissioners.

Ordered, That the Auditor furnish a statement of the amounts paid for each year since January, 1861, to or for

the Land and Harbor Commissioners, for printing and engraving of various kinds, including reports, maps and plans.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to transmit to the Legislature a copy of the report of the State Liquor Commissioner for the year 1870.

State Liquor
Commissioner.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of Albert Fearing and others, in aid of that of the Washingtonian Home.

Washingtonian Home.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Kimball presented a petition of J. E. Hollis and others, in aid of that of G. Washington Warren and others.

G. Washington Warren
et als.

Referred to the committee on Towns.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of John Kelliher for State aid, on account of military services.

John Kelliher.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Bradley presented a petition of George H. Harding and others, for a change of the laws in relation to pilotage.

Pilotage.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Tenney, the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule, on the question of the reference of the bill for the maintenance and repairs of Haverhill bridge, was reconsidered, and the rule being thereupon suspended, the bill was referred in concurrence to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Haverhill
bridge.

On motion of Mr. Tenney,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday next at 2 o'clock, P.M.

Adjournment.

Papers from the House.

A bill to revive chapter 194 of the Acts of 1868, authorizing the building of a bridge and highway across North River in South Scituate and Marshfield; and

South Scituate and
Marshfield,
North River.

Bills,

To incorporate the Boston and Provincetown Steamboat Company (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Marblehead Savings Bank (on the petition of J. H. Orne and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill relating to the capital stock of coöperative associations, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Co-operative
Associations.

S. M. Bubler et als. A report discharging the committee on Mercantile Affairs from the further consideration of the petition of S. M. Bubler and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Milo J. Smith et als. Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Milo J. Smith and others ;

Nathaniel Freeman. Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of Nathaniel Freeman, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Boston. Petitions of Rhodes, Ripley & Co. and others ; and James G. Sanderson and others, severally in aid of the petition of the city council of the city of Boston, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Intoxicating liquors. Petitions of Abby B. Kelley and others ; L. A. Greenwood and others ; George W. Hobbs and others ; John Fuller and others ; and C. E. Denham and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Severally in concurrence.

Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg. The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes. The bill to authorize the Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on Education, and ordered to a third reading.

Black bass. The Senate bill for the better protection of black bass, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Magistrates and trial justices. The Senate bill relating to the jurisdiction of magistrates and trial justices, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

City Bank of Lynn. The Senate bill to revive the City Bank of Lynn for certain purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to incorporate the Millbury Building Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Millbury
Building Co.

The bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, was laid on the table.

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners
Partition of
lands.

The bill in relation to the partition of lands, was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence as heretofore amended, and sent down for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

The Senate report on the petition of Joseph Fuller, was accepted.

Joseph Full-
er.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of George W. Tarbox, was accepted in concurrence.

Geo. W. Tar-
box.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted.

Bills enact-
ed.

To incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company, and for other purposes.

To cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain land in the city of Boston.

To prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations.

For the better discovery of testimony and the protection of witnesses before the joint special committee on the State Police.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill to repeal chapter 75 of the Acts of 1870, in relation to highways and town ways, had been rejected by that branch.

Highways
and town
ways.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 7, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the petition of George H. Jones and others, reported

Newton free
library.

A bill to incorporate the Newton Free Library.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the same committee, on the petition of the Trustees of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School in Brimfield, reported

Hitchcock
free gram-
mar school.

A bill to change the name of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School, and for other purposes, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Geo. W. Carter.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of George W. Carter, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Registers of Deeds.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the expediency of prohibiting the use of offices of registers of deeds, for making conveyances therein, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Disabled soldiers.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the report of the commissioners under the resolve of last year, in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Aaron Cooper et als.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bradley presented a petition of Aaron Cooper and others, in aid of that of S. W. Crosby.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Boston, Hartford and Erie R. Co.

Ordered, That the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, inquire and report whether any legislation is necessary to enable the Commonwealth to be represented as a holder of "Berdell bonds," so called, in any proceedings in bankruptcy relating to said railroad corporation.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham.

On motion of Mr. Crosby, the rule respecting reconsideration was suspended, and thereupon, on motion of the same senator, the vote whereby the Senate *adhered* to its amendment in the resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, was reconsidered, and thereupon the Senate *insisted* on its amendment, and Messrs. Crosby, Monroe and Pierce were appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Co.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Company, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

To incorporate the Marblehead Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Boston and Provincetown Steamboat Company ;

To revive chapter 194 of the Acts of 1868, authorizing the building of a highway and bridge across North River in South Scituate and Marshfield ;

To authorize the county commissioners of Berkshire County to borrow money, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill relating to County Law Library Associations, was laid on the table. County Law Library Associations.

The Senate bill to authorize the Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to furnishing proofs of the opinions of the supreme judicial court to the judges of the several courts in advance of their publication, was accepted. Supreme judicial court.

The House reports on the petitions of Nathaniel Freeman ; and Nathaniel Freeman.

Milo J. Smith and others, were severally accepted in concurrence. Milo J. Smith et als.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:— Bills to the Governor.

To incorporate the Duxbury Wharf Company, and for other purposes.

To prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations.

To cede jurisdiction to the United States over certain land in the city of Boston.

For the better discovery of testimony and the protection of witnesses before the joint special committee on the State Police.

The message from the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Trustees of the Antietam National Cemetery, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Antietam National Cemetery.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report on the petition of Charles O. Shove and others, was taken from the table and accepted. Charles O. Shove et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Worcester,—

Divorce.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider what changes, if any, are necessary in chapter 404 of the Acts of 1870 relative to divorce.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Record of
Massachu-
setts volun-
teers.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of printing an additional edition of the Record of Massachusetts Volunteers from 1861 to 1865.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, mayor of the city of Boston, reported

A bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir.

Supreme ju-
dicial court.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill to change the time for holding the terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Normal
school board-
ing-houses
at Framing-
ham and
Bridgewater.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the Governor's address, reported

A resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Boston.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill to amend an act for the abatement of a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city, without amendment.

Springfield
Home for
Friendless
Women and
Children.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve in favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and the bills and resolve were ordered to a second reading.

Death
penalty.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to abolishing the death penalty, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston
Board of
Trade.

Mr. Frost presented a petition of the Boston Board of Trade for the appointment of a commission to examine into the laws relative to pilotage.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mr. Fletcher presented a petition of George Reed and others, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others.

James T.
Burnap et
als.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Monroe presented a remonstrance of Winslow Lewis and others, owners or occupants of wharves on Roxbury Creek, against any measures authorizing the filling up or impeding the navigation of said creek.

Winslow
Lewis et als.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company inquire and report whether any legislation is necessary or expedient in regard to enforcing the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth, in behalf of said company.

B. H. and H.
R. R. Co.

And the order was ordered to be printed, with a copy of the bond attached.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred (from the files of last year) the resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution in relation to the qualification of voters, reported that the same ought to be agreed to, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Constitution,
amendment
to.

Papers from the House.

A bill to increase the jurisdiction of trial justices over certain offences, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Trial jus-
tices.

A bill to authorize the Salem Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Salem Gas
Light Co.

A bill to incorporate the Boston and Richmond Steamship Company, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston and
Richmond
Steamship
Co.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of Mrs. A. Holmquist and others; and

Mrs. A.
Holmquist et
als.

On the petition of John W. Emery and others and Hugh Douglas and others; and

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of William B. Woods and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Wm. B.
Woods et als.

Ordered, In concurrence, that so much of the Governor's address as relates to the act for laying out one or more public parks in the city of Boston, be referred to a joint special

Boston.

committee, to consist of the committees on the Judiciary of the Senate and House. Also

Merrimack River.

That the committee on the Fisheries inquire into the expediency of extending for two years, the provisions of section one, chapter 289 of the Acts of 1869, in regard to the taking of fish in Merrimack River.

S. S. Baxter et als.

A remonstrance of Oliver F. Robinson and others, against the petition of S. S. Baxter and others, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Thomas F. Power et als.

A petition of R. M. Everett and others, in aid of that of Thomas F. Power and others ; and

Rufus H. Brown et als.

A remonstrance of Lewis Allen and others, against the petition of Rufus H. Brown and others ; and

North Bridgewater.

A petition of C. C. Bixby and others, in aid of that of the town of North Bridgewater, were referred to the committee on Towns.

Albert Mason et als.

Remonstrances of
Dean Winslow and others ;
S. P. Bourne and others ;
Rufus Smith and others ; and
Benjamin F. Bourne and others, severally against the petition of Albert Mason and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

W. B. Brown et als.

A petition of W. B. Brown and others, for an extension of the time within which to locate the Lynn and Marblehead Railroad, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Railways, and the same was laid on the table.

Intoxicating liquors.

Petitions of
Royal P. Kelley and others ;
B. J. Blanchard and others ;
J. W. Smith and others ;
H. A. Tracy and others ;
H. Z. Beaman and others ;
Hannah D. Sturgis and others ; and
William H. Sawyer and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of the year 1867, were referred in concurrence, to the committee on that subject.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Newton Free Library ;
To change the name of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School, and for other purposes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

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The Senate bill to incorporate the Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Everett and
Chelsea
Street Rail-
way Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Marblehead Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Boston and Provincetown Steamboat Company ;

To revive chapter 194 of the Acts of 1868, authorizing the building of a highway and bridge across North River in South Scituate and Marshfield ;

To authorize the county commissioners of Berkshire County to borrow money, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report on the order relative to the use of the offices of registers of deeds for making conveyances, was accepted.

Registers of
Deeds.

The Senate report on the petition of George W. Carter, was accepted.

Geo. W.
Carter.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report on the order relative to punishment for second offences, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Second
offences.

The message from the Governor, transmitting the report of the Commissioners under the resolve of last year in relation to disabled soldiers, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Disabled
soldiers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the bill relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies, reported that the same ought to pass, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Canton and
Hyde Park
and Stough-
ton Branch
R. R. Com-
panies.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the bill to incorporate a public library and reading-room in the town of Dedham, reported the same in a new draft.

Dedham,
public li-
brary in.

Edgartown

Mr. Bradley, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the petition of William Bradley and others, reported

A bill to authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for a certain purpose.

Lee and
Hudson R.
R. Co.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of George H. Phelps and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroads.

Mr. Stearns, from the same committee, on the bill to regulate the location of railroads, reported that the same ought not to pass, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Registered
Co-operative
Associations.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill concerning registered coöperative associations, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioner.

A communication was received from the Auditor, transmitting a statement of the amounts paid by Harbor and Land Commissioners for printing and engraving of various kinds, including reports, maps and plans, in compliance with an order of the Senate of March 4.

State Liquor
Commis-
sioners.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the State Liquor Commissioner for the year 1870.

Severally laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Trial jus-
tices.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to increase the jurisdiction of trial justices over certain offences, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Henry P.
Doyle.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Henry P. Doyle ; and

N. E. Labor
Reform
League.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of John Orvis in behalf of New England Labor Reform League ; and

John G.
Loring et al.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John G. Loring and others, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

Haverhill
bridge.

A bill to repeal chapter 208 of the Acts of 1870, concerning travel on Haverhill bridge, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to revive the Charles River Navigation Company, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Harbors. Charles River Navigation Co.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Louisa Parsons, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Louisa Parsons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of providing by law that the Board of State Charities may be authorized to contract with the overseers of the poor of towns which have no almshouses, for the support of town paupers in State almshouses. Also Paupers.

That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider whether any further legislation is necessary to enable the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Churches to mortgage their property at any time. Methodist Episcopal Churches.

Petitions of Intoxicating liquors.

Jacob Crowell and others ;
Amos B. Davis and others ; and

Charles Hinckley and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Petitions of Washingtonian Home.

Cyrus Wakefield and others ; and

George Howe and others, severally in aid of that of the Washingtonian Home, were referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally in concurrence.

A petition of Thomas G. Sandland and others, for an act of incorporation as the Bristol Masonic Building Association, was laid on the table. Bristol Masonic Building Association.

A petition of Alvan Fisher and others, in aid of that of James T. Burnap and others ; and James T. Burnap et als.

Remonstrances of

David Paine and others ; and Albert Mason et als.

William S. Fessenden and others, severally against the petition of Albert Mason and others, were referred to the committee on Railways.

A petition of Abel Proctor and others, in aid of that of Rufus H. Brown and others, was referred to the committee on Towns. Rufus H. Brown et als.

Petitions of

H. B. Lovering and others ; and H. B. Lovering et als.

William Ainsworth and others, severally for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work, were referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question. William Ainsworth et als.

Severally in concurrence.

Civil actions. A communication was received from the Clerk of the House announcing that the Senate bill relating to pleadings in civil actions, had been rejected by that branch.

Bills. The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
In addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir ;

To change the time of holding one of the terms of the supreme judicial court of the county of Suffolk ;

To amend an act for the abatement of a nuisance in the city of Boston and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

To authorize the Salem Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Springfield Home for friendless women and children.

The resolve in favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and ordered to a third reading.

Second offences.

The report on the order relative to the punishment for second offences, was taken up, whereupon Mr. Stearns proposed as a substitute for the report, a bill in relation to the subject, which being considered was rejected. The report was thereupon accepted.

Constitution.

The resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution in relation to the qualification of voters, was committed to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Death penalty.

The report on the order relative to abolishing the death penalty, was accepted.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of

William B. Woods and others ;

John W. Emery and others ;

Mrs. A. Holmquist and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Newton free library.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Newton Free Library, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Hitchcock free grammar school.

The Senate bill to change the name of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of North Chelsea, reported

North Chelsea.

A bill to change the name of the town of North Chelsea.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society, reported

Winnisimmet Congregational Society.

A bill to change the name of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society in the city of Chelsea.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Hartley Williams, and on the order in relation to increasing the jurisdiction of the municipal court of Worcester in civil actions, reported

Municipal court in the city of Worcester.

A bill concerning the municipal court in the city of Worcester.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill relating to the capital stock of co-operative associations, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Co-operative associations.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the reports of

The Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund; and

Mass School Fund.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Funds of the Western Railroad Company, the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company, reported that legislation is unnecessary thereon, and the report being considered, was accepted.

Western R. R. Co.
B. H. and E. R. R. Co.
Norwich and Worcester R. R. Co.

Mr. Fox presented remonstrances of Joseph D. Ellis and others, and Henry Wilson, Jr., and others, against the repeal of the resolve of last year in relation to disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments.

Disabled soldiers.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A resolve authorizing the issue of arms to the Dean Academy (on the order in relation to the subject) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Dean Academy.

Resolves.

Resolves,

In favor of Margaret K. Dearborn (on the petition of the same);

In favor of the town of Dana (on the petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of);

In favor of Timothy Murphy (on the petition of the same);

In favor of Melia Walton (on the petition of the same);

In favor of the Danvers Savings Bank (on the petition of the same);

In favor of John Peck (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Dudley.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Dudley to raise fifteen thousand dollars for Nichols Academy, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Ship-building.

The resolutions in favor of the ship-building interests of the United States, came up recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs with instructions, and the Senate *con-
curred* in the recommitment and *non-concurred* in the instructions, and the resolve was returned to the House.

First Light Battery.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the officers of the First Light Battery, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Co.

A bill to revive an act to incorporate the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railway Company, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Horse Railways.

Fire Insurance Companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of repealing section 57 of chapter 58 of the General Statutes, relating to fire insurance companies.

Intoxicating Liquors.

Petitions of

Cyrus Morton and others ;

Samuel Bacon and others ;

Otis Cary and others ;

A. B. Folsom and others ;

F. F. George and others ;

Pliny Wood and others ;

William Howland and others ;

Reuben Boynton and others ; and

A. J. Keith and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

A petition of Lewis Hayden and others, that our representatives in Congress may be requested to take some measures to prevent the outrages committed upon loyal citizens in some of the Southern States, was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Lewis Hayden et als.

A petition of Andrew F. Graves and others, for the payment of bills for books furnished the State prison; and

Andrew F. Graves et als.

A petition of Benjamin F. Cook, for compensation for the care of certain property belonging to a military company, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Benj. F. Cook.

A petition of Richard Flanders and others, in aid of that of S. W. Crosby and others, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

S. W. Crosby et als.

Petitions of

Washingtonian Home.

Henry L. Pierce and others;

Samuel Little and others;

William C. Lawrence and others; and

Hogg, Brown and Taylor and others, severally in aid of that of the Washingtonian Home, were referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition of H. F. French and others, for a grant from the State in aid of the Horticultural School for Women, was referred to the committee on Education.

H. F. French et als.

Severally in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire if the salary of the District-Attorney for the North-western District should be increased.

District-Attorney for the North-western district.

On motion of Mr. Collins, the vote whereby the resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters was committed to the committee on Education, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, and the resolve was then assigned for consideration on Tuesday next.

Constitution.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company, was laid on the table.

Lee and Hudson R. R. Co.

The bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Dedham Public Library and Reading Room;

To authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for a certain purpose;

Relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies;

To increase the jurisdiction of trial justices over certain offences, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Railroads.

The bill to regulate the location of railroads was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Boston.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk.

The Senate bill to change the time for holding one of the terms of the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills,

To amend an act for the abatement of a nuisance in the city of Boston and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

To authorize the Salem Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

The resolve in favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

John G. Loring et al.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John G. Loring and others, was accepted.

The Senate reports on the petitions of

New England Labor Reform League. Henry P. Doyle.

The New England Labor Reform League ; and Henry P. Doyle, were accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of Louisa Parsons, was accepted in concurrence.

Second offences.

On motion of Mr. Stearns, the vote whereby the report on the order relative to the punishment for second offences was accepted, was reconsidered ; also the vote by which the substitute proposed for said report was rejected ; and the question then recurring on the adoption of the substitute, the whole subject was laid on the table, and the substitute ordered to be printed.

Bills enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To confer certain rights upon guardians of insane persons and minors.

To incorporate the Hyde Park Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Lexington Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Millbury Building Company.

To incorporate the Westfield Water Works.

In relation to widening Beacon Street and adjacent avenues in the city of Boston.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

Resolves passed and to Governor.

In favor of Edward S. Philbrick.

In favor of James M. W. Yerrinton.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, March 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Goodman, on leave, introduced a bill in relation to the county buildings in Lenox, Berkshire County, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Berkshire county.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, reported the bill revising the several statutes requiring oaths to proceedings in probate courts, without amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Probate courts.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the petition of George Howland, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Geo. Howland.

Papers from the House.

A bill for supplying the city of Fall River with pure water, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Fall River.

A bill to incorporate the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association (on the petition of Cyrus Wakefield and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, that legislation is unnecessary in relation to the communication from the Treasurer respecting allotments by Massachusetts volunteers, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Massachusetts Volunteers.

Firedistricts. A bill providing for the use of a check list in the election of officers of fire districts, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Easthampton Library Association. A bill relating to the Easthampton Library Association, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Education.

Manufacturing establishments. *Ordered,* In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of providing by law for the better protection of persons, from accidents by belts in exposed situations in shops and manufacturing establishments. Also

High schools. That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending the provisions of chapter 38 of the General Statutes and the acts supplementary thereto, in reference to the establishment and maintenance of High Schools in any of the towns in the Commonwealth. Also

Harbor Commissioners. That the committee on Harbors consider the expediency of requiring by law an assignment of suitable rooms in the State House for the harbor commissioners.

Intoxicating liquors. Petitions of
William Reardon and others ;
Timothy A. Hazen and others ;
Thomas A. Brigham and others ;
Erastus Goervey and others ; and
Frank O. Fosgate and others, severally for the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Roger H. Leavitt et als. A petition of A. L. Tyler and others, in aid of that of Roger H. Leavitt and others, was referred to the committee on Towns.

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church. A petition of the Trustees of the Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church of Lynn, for authority to mortgage its property, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

B. F. Robinson et als. A petition of W. H. Sanford and others, in aid of that of B. F. Robinson and others, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Severally in concurrence.

Bills. The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To change the name of the town of North Chelsea ;
To change the name of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society in the city of Chelsea ;
Relating to the capital stock of coöperative associations ;
and

The resolve authorizing the issue of arms to the Dean Academy, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Dean Academy.

The bill concerning the municipal court in the city of Worcester, was read a second time and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Municipal court in the city of Worcester.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Dedham Public Library and Reading-Room, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Dedham public library.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for a certain purpose, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Edgartown.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies, was read a third time, amended in the title by substituting therefor the following, "Bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroads, and for uniting said corporations," and passed to be engrossed. Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch R. R. Companies.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to increase the jurisdiction of trial justices over certain offences, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Trial justices.

The House report on the petition of the officers of the First Light Battery of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, was accepted in concurrence. First Light Battery.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association was refused a third reading, was taken from the table, and the vote being taken thereon, it was carried in the affirmative, and the bill was ordered to a third reading. Boston Base Ball Association.

The petition of W. B. Brown and others, was taken from the table and referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Railways. W. B. Brown et als.

The petition of Thomas G. Sandland and others, was taken from the table and referred in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule. Thomas G. Sandland et als.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Haverhill
bridge.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to repeal chapter 208 of the Acts of 1870, concerning travel on Haverhill Bridge, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Disabled
soldiers.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the resolve in favor of disabled soldiers, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

On motion of Mr. Collins,—

Tide-water.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors be authorized to employ a short-hand reporter, to report the testimony at the hearing on the subject of compensation for the displacement of tide-water, and that the committee be authorized to report the same in print.

Hancock
Congrega-
tional Soci-
ety in Lex-
ington.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of the Hancock Congregational Society of Lexington, in aid of that of Franklin Patch and others.

Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land and for other purposes ;

Relating to recording levies of executions on lands not attached on mesne process ;

Concerning sidewalks in Boston, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taxes.

The Senate bill requiring a return of the amounts paid for assessing and collecting taxes in the year 1870, came up concurred with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

Rufus H.
Brown et als.

A report of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Rufus H. Brown and others, granting leave to withdraw on the same, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Petitions of

Charles Eldredge and others ;

James H. Roberts and others ;

E. W. Porter and others ; and

P. W. Childs and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

A petition of H. L. Dunklee for compensation for materials furnished for the repairs upon the State House, was referred to the committee on Claims. H. L. Dunklee.

A remonstrance of A. F. Stearns and others, against the construction of a bridge across Neponset River, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges. John F. Dodge et als.

Petitions of

Stephen Prince and others ;

Jacob Bigelow and others ; and

Donald Kennedy and others, severally in aid of that of the Washingtonian Home, were referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Washingtonian Home.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to authorize the Wellesley Congregational Society to sell real estate, was taken from the table, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Wellesley Congregational Society.

The bill relating to County Law Library Associations, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. County Law Library Association.

The bills,

To incorporate the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association ; Bills.

Revising the several statutes requiring oaths to proceedings in probate courts, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading,

The report on the petition of George Howland, was recommended to the committee on Federal Relations. Geo. Howland.

The report on the communication from the Treasurer with statement of amounts allotted by soldiers of Massachusetts regiments, was accepted. Allotments.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association, was read a second time and placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Boston Base Ball Association.

The Senate bill to change the name of the town of North Chelsea, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. North Chelsea.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Winnisimmet
Congregational
Society.

The bill to change the name of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society in the city of Chelsea, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Co-operative
Associations.

The House bill relating to the capital stock of coöperative associations ; and

Dean
Academy.

The House resolve authorizing the issue of arms to the Dean Academy, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills
enacted and
to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To incorporate the association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy.

To incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Fitchburg.

To incorporate the Boston and Provincetown Steamboat Company.

To incorporate the Marblehead Savings Bank.

To authorize the county commissioners of Berkshire County to borrow money.

To revive chapter 194 of the Acts of 1868, authorizing the building of a highway and bridge across North River in South Scituate and Marshfield.

Soldiers'—
testimonials.

An engrossed resolve in relation to soldiers' testimonials (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Charles Bur-
rill.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in addition to an act to authorize towns and cities to raise money for recruiting purposes, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of

A bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay Charles Burrill the sum of forty thousand dollars.

Boston.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to amend chapter 337 of the Acts of the year 1870, to amend the charter of the city of Boston, reported the same in a new draft ; and these bills were read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the *Resolves.*
House resolves,

In favor of the town of Dana ;

In favor of the Danvers Savings Bank ; and

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the House
resolves,

In favor of John Peck ;

In favor of Timothy Murphy ;

In favor of the House of the Angel Guardian ; and

Mr. Whitney, from the same committee, on the resolves,

In favor of Melia Walton ;

In favor of Margaret Dearborn, severally reported that the
same ought to pass.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on *Execution.*
the bill relating to recording levies of execution on lands not
attached on mesne process.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the bill pro- *Fire dis-*
viding for the use of a check list in the election of officers
of fire districts ; and *tricts.*

Mr. Wakefield, from said committee, on the bill for sup- *Fall River.*
plying the city of Fall River with pure water, severally re-
ported that the same ought to pass, and the bills and resolves
were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Manufactures, on *Lenox Glass*
the petition of the Lenox Glass Company, reported that the *Co.*
petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read
and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Fox,—

Ordered, That the committee on the State Police be au- *State police.*
thorized to employ a short-hand reporter, to report the testi-
mony at the hearings of said committee.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider *Assistant*
the expediency of amending chapter 336 of the Acts of *clerks of*
1870. *courts.*

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, on leave, introduced a bill to *Worcester*
authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to *and Nashua*
lease the railroad of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad *R. R. Co.*
Company, and the same was read and, under a suspension of
the rule, referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Pierce, on leave, introduced a bill in relation to the *Arlington*
Arlington Lake Water Company, and the same was read *Lake Water*
and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to *Co.*
the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Tremont
Mills and the
Suffolk Man-
ufacturing
Co.

Mr. Richardson, on leave, introduced a bill uniting and consolidating the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills and the Suffolk Manufacturing Company, and the same was read and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the last-named committee.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

Mr. Frost presented petitions of
Rev. W. F. Malleliou and others; and
L. L. Katon and others, severally for the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1867.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Id.

Mr. Hawes, from the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors, on the Governor's address, and on sundry bills, orders and petitions relative to amendment or repeal of the laws in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors, reported that said committee had been unable to agree, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Papers from the House.

Boston Pier
or Long
Wharf.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Boston Pier or Long Wharf, came up concurred with certain amendments which were adopted in concurrence.

Lands, parti-
tion of.

The House bill relating to the partition of lands, came up concurred in the amendment proposed thereto by the Senate, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Sherborn
and South
Natick R. R.
Co.

A bill to incorporate the Sherborn and South Natick Railroad Company (on the petition of Theodore Otis and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Vt. and
Mass. R. R.
Co.

A bill to reimburse the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company, for expenditures on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Road Com-
missioners.

A bill to provide for the election of road commissioners, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Life insur-
ance policies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance inquire whether any further legal protection is required for the security of policy-holders of life insurance policies, in regard to the surrender value of the same, or whether any revision of chapter 186 of the Acts of 1861 is necessary for the better protection of policy-holders. Also

School com-
mittees.

That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending section 35, chapter 38 of the General Stat-

utes, as to provide that the school committees of every city or town may appoint a superintendent of schools.

Petitions of

The selectmen of Amesbury ;

Josiah A. Backus and others ;

T. T. Filmer and others ;

Minot Pratt and others ;

Daniel F. Potter and others ; and

George F. Simpson and others, severally for the reënactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were referred to the joint special committee on that subject.

Severally in concurrence.

Intoxicating
liquors.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill relating to the jurisdiction of magistrates and trial justices, had been rejected by that branch.

Magistrates
and trial jus-
tices.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate bill to incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association, was ordered to be engrossed.

Boston Base
Ball Associa-
tion.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the Wellesley Congregational Society to sell real estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Wellesley
Congrega-
tional Soci-
ety.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill relating to County Law Library Associations, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

County Law
Library
Associations.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association ;

Revising the several statutes requiring oaths to proceedings in probate courts, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to repeal chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1870, concerning travel on Haverhill Bridge, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Haverhill
bridge.

The resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution in relation to the qualification of voters, was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading, was ordered to be taken to-morrow at 2½ o'clock, P.M., and the resolve was then passed over.

Constitu-
tion.

Rufus H.
Brown et als.

The House report on the petition of Rufus H. Brown and others, was accepted in concurrence.

State Liquor
commissioner.

The message from the Governor, transmitting the report of the State Liquor Commissioner, was taken from the table, and referred to the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 15, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Hollis Evan-
gelical Soci-
ety in Fram-
ingham.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, reported the bill to change the name of the Hollis Evangelical Society in Framingham, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Geo. How-
land.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, to whom was recommitted their report on the petition of George Howland, again reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Disabled
soldiers.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the resolve in favor of disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Boston.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester
Mozart Choral
Union.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the Mozart and Beethoven Choral Union reported

A bill to incorporate the Worcester Mozart Choral Union, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Lancaster R.
R. Co.

A bill concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Bills,

To confirm the organization and certain acts of the Mount Pleasant Association ;

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Charlestown with pure water, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves,

Resolves.

In aid of Dukes County Academy (on the petition of the same);

Granting taxes to the several counties, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A petition of the town of Nantucket, for the protection of quail in that island; and

Nantucket.

Remonstrances of

Thomas J. Tolman et als.

Fletcher A. Damon and others;

Charles E. Folsom and others;

F. S. Wright and others;

Thomas Keith and others;

George F. Hatch and others; and

J. M. Ward and others, severally against the petition of Thomas J. Tolman and others, were severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of Warren Goddard and others, in relation to the proposed change of the name of the town of North Bridgewater, was referred to the committee on Towns.

Warren Goddard et als.

A petition of Jerome Wells and others, in aid of that of the Connecticut River Railroad Company, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Connecticut River R. R. Co.

A petition of Mary W. Westgate, and a petition of John D. White, severally for State aid, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Mary W. Westgate.
John D. White.

Petitions of

A. L. Tyler et als.

M. C. Mansfield and others;

Charles Peck and others;

O. J. Davenport and others; and

J. M. Ward and others, severally in aid of that of A. L. Tyler and others, were referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Severally in concurrence.

Petitions of

Intoxicating liquors.

Paul Townsend and others;

John Eaton and others;

A. J. Esterbrook and others;

H. M. Foster and others;

William Bryant and others;

Frederick W. Cook and others; and

Mrs. E. E. Dyer and others, severally for the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1867, were laid on the table.

Taxes.

The Senate bill to secure a more equal apportionment of State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, came up concurred, with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein, with an amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Constitution.

The resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution in relation to the qualification of voters, was discharged from the orders of the day and, pursuant to assignment the vote thereon was taken, and it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird, Collins, Long, Stearns, Whitney.—13	Boardman, Frost, Park, Tenney,	Caswell, Goodman, Richardson, Thayer, A.,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Clark, J. W., Fox, Monroe, Stickney, Whiting,	Bates, Crosby, Greeley, Packard, Thayer, S., Willcomb.—17.	Clark, J. A. J., Elliot, Hawes, Rhodes, Wakefield,
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So the resolve was refused a third reading.

Lee and Hudson R. R. Co.

The bill to incorporate the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company, was taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
Providing for the use of a check list in the election of officers of fire districts ;

For supplying the city of Fall River with pure water ;

Relating to recording levies of executions on lands not attached on mesne process ;

To incorporate the Sherborn and South Natick Railroad Company ; and

Resolves.

The resolves,

In favor of the House of the Angel Guardian ;

In favor of Melia Walton ;

In favor of the Danvers Savings Bank ;

In favor of Timothy Murphy ;

In favor of the town of Dana ;

In favor of Margaret K. Dearborn ;

In favor of John Peck, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Charles Burrill.

The bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay to Charles Burrill the sum of forty thousand dollars was passed over.

The bill to amend chapter 337 of the Acts of 1870, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Boston, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Boston.

The report on the petition of the Lenox Glass Company, was laid on the table. Lenox Glass Co.

The report of the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors, on the several matters referred to them, was accepted. Intoxicating liquors.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to repeal chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1870, concerning travel on Haverhill Bridge, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Haverhill bridge.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:— Bills enacted and to Governor.

To incorporate the Wollaston Hotel Company.

To authorize the Duxbury and Cohasset Railroad Company to extend its railroad, and for other purposes.

To authorize the town of Dudley to raise fifteen thousand dollars for Nichols Academy.

To authorize the Salem Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock.

To amend an act for the abatement of a nuisance in the city of Boston and for the preservation of the public health in said city.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill relating to county law libraries was rejected, and the motion being considered was carried in the affirmative; and the same senator having proposed an amendment to the bill, the same was rejected, and the question then recurring on ordering the bill to a second reading, it was carried in the negative, so the bill was again rejected. County law libraries.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 16, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Howe presented a petition of Jane Parks for aid from the State. Jane Parks.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.***Bills.****Bills,**

To annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to New Marlborough (on the petition of Archibald Taft and others);

To amend section 36 of chapter 38 of the General Statutes, in relation to the maintenance of school-houses by towns (on the order relative to the subject);

To authorize special contracts for the transportation of passengers on designated trains upon railroads (on the petition of Josiah Quincy and others);

To incorporate the Trustees of the Berkshire Athenæum (on the petition of E. H. Kellogg and others);

In addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester and Shrewsbury Street Railway Company (on the petition of Henry Chapin and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

District
courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.

A bill to amend the act to establish the District Court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the District Court of Southern Berkshire, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Legislature.

A bill fixing the compensation of the members of the Legislature, was read and referred in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Lucy A.
Frost.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Lucy A. Frost, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Antietam
National
Cemetery.

A report discharging the committee on Military Affairs from the further consideration of the communication from the Trustees of the Antietam National Cemetery, was accepted in concurrence.

Taxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the tax commissioner obtain from the assessors of the several towns and cities in the Commonwealth, and report the same in print to the Legislature as soon as may be, a return of the number of females in their respective municipalities who are taxed directly; also the number of such who have property taxed to husbands, guardians or trustees, stating the aggregate in number and amount of each class separately, and said commissioner shall also include, in said report, classified in the same manner, the proportion of the corporation taxes thus paid, so far as the same can be ascertained from the returns in his office.

Geo. M.
Baker et als.

A petition of Warren Kent and others, *in aid of*; and Remonstrances of G. L. Babb and others; and

Daniel Beckford and others, *against* the petition of George M. Baker and others, were referred to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of Matilda French for State aid for her minor children, was referred to the committee on Claims. Matilda French.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.
To change the name of the Hollis Evangelical Society in Framingham ;

To incorporate the Worcester Mozart Choral Union ;

Concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston ;

Concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate resolve in favor of disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments, was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed. Disabled soldiers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Lee and Hudson R. R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 837 of the Acts of the year 1870, to amend the charter of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills,

Providing for the use of a check list in the election of the officers of fire districts ; Bills.

For supplying the city of Fall River with pure water ;

Relating to recording levies of executions on lands not attached on mesne process ;

To incorporate the Sherborn and South Natick Railroad Company ; and

The resolves,

In favor of the House of the Angel Guardian ; Resolves.

In favor of Melia Walton ;

In favor of the Danvers Savings Bank ;

In favor of Timothy Murphy, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill authorizing the city of Boston to pay Charles Burrill the sum of forty thousand dollars, was laid on the table. Charles Burrill.

George
Howland.

The Senate report on the memorial of George Howland, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Hoosac Sav-
ings Bank.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of B. F. Robinson and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Hoosac Savings Bank of North Adams.

Worcester
South-East
Agricultural
Society.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society, reported

A bill in relation to the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society ; and

Rabbits.

On the order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits.

Police court
of Holyoke.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of W. B. C. Pearsons and others, reported

A bill to establish the Police Court of Holyoke, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Tremont
Mills and
Suffolk Man-
ufacturing
Co.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill uniting and consolidating the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills and Suffolk Manufacturing Company, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Assistant
clerks of cer-
tain courts.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending chapter 336 of the Acts of 1870, reported

A bill to fix the salaries of the assistant clerks of the supreme judicial court and of the assistant clerk of the civil session of the superior court for the county of Suffolk.

District-
Attorney of
North-west-
ern district.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill to fix the salary of the district-attorney of the North-western district.

Mass. Cen-
tral R. R. Co.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of the Massachusetts Central Railway Company, reported

A bill to authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill in addition to an act for supplying the city of Charlestown with pure water ; and

Charles-
town.

Mr. Wakefield, from the same committee, on the bill to confirm the organization and certain acts of the Mount Pleasant Association, severally reported that these bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mount Pleasant
Association.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the order in relation to further legislation respecting the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Sidewalks.

Mr. Rhodes presented a petition of E. Ira Richards and others, in aid of that of Thomas G. Sandland and others.

Thomas G.
Sandland et
als.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of J. B. Smith and others, that the Congress of the United States may be memorialized to take immediate measures for the protection of the lives and civil rights of loyal citizens in the Southern States.

J. B. Smith
et als.

Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on Harbors, on the order in relation to the closing of Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to the passage of a certain class of vessels, was taken from the table and accepted.

Charles and
Miller's Rivers
and Fort
Point Channel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to increase the jurisdiction in civil cases of police and municipal courts and of the district court of Central Berkshire, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

District
court of Central
Berkshire.

A bill to authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Harvard
College.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Theodore S. Harris, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Theodore S.
Harris.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote by which the resolve providing for an amendment of the constitution in relation to the qualification of voters was refused a third

Constitution.

reading, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird, Frost, Park, Whitney,	Boardman, Goodman, Richardson, Wood—11.	Caswell, Long, Sproat,
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Bradley, Elliot, Greeley, Packard, Wakefield,	Bartholomew, Clark, A. J., Fletcher, Hawes, Rhode, Whiting,	Bates, Clark, J. W., Fox, Kimball, Thayer, S., Willcomb.—18.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

Worcester
and Shrews-
bury Street
Railway Co.
Bills.

The bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester and Shrewsbury Street Railway Company, was recommended to the committee on Horse Railways.

The bills,

To incorporate the Trustees of the Berkshire Athenæum ;
To authorize special contracts for the transportation of passengers on designated trains upon railroads ;

To amend the 36th section of chapter 38 of the General Statutes, in relation to the maintenance of school-houses in towns, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Sheffield and
New Marl-
borough.
Hollis Evan-
gelical Soci-
ety.

The bill to annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough, was laid on the table.

The Senate bill to change the name of the Hollis Evangelical Society in Framingham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Worcester
Choral
Union.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Worcester Mozart Choral Union, was read a third time, amended by striking out of the title the word "Mozart," and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

The Senate bill concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lancaster R.
R. Co.

The House bill concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Lucy A.
Frost.

The report on the petition of Lucy A. Frost was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, March 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to increase the jurisdiction in civil cases of police and municipal courts and of the district court of Central Berkshire, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

District
court of Cen-
tral Berk-
shire.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

Concerning the Trustees of the Permanent Peace Fund (on the petition of the trustees of the same);

To incorporate the Morse Institute in Natick (on the petition of John W. Bacon and others);

To authorize Henry Gardner to extend his wharf in Weymouth (on the petition of the same);

Authorizing the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill to change the time of holding the October term of the supreme judicial court in the County of Suffolk, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Supreme
judicial
court.

A bill to authorize David Crowell to extend his wharf in Beverly Harbor, was read, and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred in concurrence to the committee on Harbors.

David Crow-
ell.

A petition of P. Meehan and others, for an act of incorporation as the Mutual Friends; and

P. Meehan
et als.

A petition of the stockholders of the East Boston Dry Dock Company, for authority to reduce its capital stock, were, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

East Boston
Dry Dock
Co.

Severally in concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for a certain purpose, came up amended in the title, by substituting therefor the following:

Edgartown.

"Bill to authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for the purpose of opening a boat channel through South Beach," and the amendment was adopted in concurrence.

A petition of the Washingtonian Home, for an appropriation in aid of said institution, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Washingto-
nian Home.

Samuel Ingalls et al.

A petition of Samuel Ingalls and others, for an amendment of the laws for the preservation of birds, birds' eggs and deer, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

John F. Dodge et al.

Petitions of William B. Duggan and others; and John Preston and others, severally in aid of that of John F. Dodge and others, were referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Worcester, Foster Street Depot in.

Remonstrances of Albert Hinds and others; Enoch Perkins and others; Jacob Fisher and others; Charles G. Stevens and others; E. Harris Howland and others; W. F. McKinistry and others; and S. C. Hartwell and others, severally against the removal of the Foster Street Depot in the city of Worcester, were severally referred to the committee on Railways.
Severally in concurrence.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Hoosac Savings Bank of North Adams;
To establish the Police Court of Holyoke;
To fix the salary of the district-attorney of the Northwestern District;

To fix the salary of the assistant clerk of the supreme judicial court, and of the assistant clerk of the civil session of the superior court for the county of Suffolk;

Uniting and consolidating the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills and the Suffolk Manufacturing Company;

To confirm the organization and certain acts of the Mount Pleasant Association in Abington;

To authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits and hares was passed over.

The bills,

To authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad;

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Charlestown with pure water, were severally laid on the table.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Trustees of the Berkshire Athenæum;

To authorize special contracts for the transportation of passengers on designated trains upon railroads ;

To amend the 36th section of chapter 38 of the General Statutes, in relation to the maintenance of school-houses by towns, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report on the order in relation to the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, was accepted. Sidewalks.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of Theodore S. Harris, Theodore S. Harris. was accepted in concurrence.

The communication from the Treasurer ; also the communication from the Auditor, with certain statements transmitted by them, of the expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, and of a committee of the House on the improvement of the flats of the Commonwealth, were severally taken from the table and referred to the committee on Harbors. Harbor and Land Commissioners.
Commonwealth flats.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :— Bills enacted and to Governor.

To authorize the Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes to hold additional real and personal estate.

To revive the City Bank of Lynn for certain purposes.

To increase the capital stock of the Lowell Gas Light Company.

To require a return of the amounts paid for assessing and collecting taxes in the year 1870.

In relation to the dissolution of attachments.

In relation to the partition of lands.

Relating to the capital stock of coöperative associations.

Revising the several statutes requiring oaths to proceedings in probate courts.

To increase the jurisdiction of trial justices over certain offences.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting a communication from Admiral Shubrick concerning the pur- Admiral Shubrick.

United States chase of land by the United States for light-house purposes, and the same was read and laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors. Mr. Hawes, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and the same was read and laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

District courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire. Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to amend the act to establish the District Court of Northern Berkshire, and the act to establish the District Court of Southern Berkshire, reported to same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

North End Mission. Mr. Monroe presented a petition of Jordan, Marsh & Co., and others, for an appropriation in aid of the North End Mission.

Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

To authorize the Boston Theological Seminary, and the Trustees of Boston University to unite (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Orange Savings Bank, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Cranberry lands.

A bill to provide for the proportional payment of the expense of erecting and maintaining dams, ditches and drains for the benefit of cranberry lands, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Alfred Kittredge et als.

A petition of Alfred Kittredge and others, for an act of incorporation as the Kenoza Water Power Company, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The following order was read, and, under a suspension of rule 17 of the two Houses, adopted in concurrence :—

Cheap railway transportation.

Ordered, That the committee on Railways consider and report upon the subject of cheap railway transportation as involved in the report of the commissioner on that subject to the Legislature of 1870, and the petition of John S. Wright in relation thereto.

Ezekiel Blake et als.

A petition of Ezekiel Blake and others, for authority to construct a railroad from Chicopee Falls to some point on the New London Northern Railroad, was referred in concur-

rence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, presented remonstrances of,
N. A. Lombard and others ;
Anthony Chase and others ;
Joseph Boyden and others ;
H. A. Richardson and others ;
John P. Marble and others ;

Worcester,
Foster Street
Depot in.

T. W. Wellington and others ; and the
Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company ; and
Mr. Bartholomew, the remonstrances of
Mrs. C. A. Paige and others ; and
Mrs. Mary De Witt and others, severally against the re-
moval of the Foster Street Depot in the city of Worcester.
Severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A petition of George B. Draper and others (from the
House), in aid of that of Henry Onion and others, was re-
ferred to the committee on Railways.

Henry
Onion et als.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To increase the jurisdiction in civil cases of police and
municipal courts, and of the district court of Central Berk-
shire ;

Concerning the Trustees of the Permanent Peace Fund ;

To incorporate the Morse Institute in Natick ;

To authorize Henry Gardner to extend his wharf in Wey-
mouth ;

Authorizing the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporation
to increase its capital stock, were severally read a second
time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Hoosac Savings Bank in
North Adams, was read a third time and passed to be en-
grossed.

Hoosac Sav-
ings Bank.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the police court of Holyoke,
was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Police Court
of Holyoke.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills,

Bills.

To fix the salary of the district-attorney of the North-
Western District ;

To fix the salaries of the assistant clerk of the supreme ju-
dicial court and of the assistant clerk of the civil session of

the superior court for the county of Suffolk, were referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Tremont
Mills and the
Suffolk Man-
ufacturing
Co.

The Senate bill uniting and consolidating the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills and the Suffolk Manufacturing Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,

To confirm the organization and certain acts of the Mount Pleasant Association in Abington ;

To authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Rabbits and
hares.

The Senate bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits and hares was passed over.

Charles Bur-
rill.

The bill authorizing the city of Boston to pay to Charles Burrill the sum of forty thousand dollars ; and

Charlestown.

The bill in addition to an act for supplying the city of Charlestown with pure water, were severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

Bills enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

In relation to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Boston Pier or the Long Wharf.

In addition to an act concerning manufacturing and other corporations.

To amend chapter 109 of the General Statutes, relating to the guardianship of minors.

For the better protection of black bass.

To incorporate the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Company.

Resolves
passed.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed :—

In favor of Timothy Murphy.

In favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

To authorize the issue of arms to the Dean Academy.

Charles and
Miller's
Rivers and
Fort Point
Channel.

On motion of Mr. Collins, the vote whereby the report of the committee on Harbors, on the order relative to closing Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to the passage of a certain class of vessels was accepted, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, and the report was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the order relative to the maintenance of certain bridges in Essex County; and

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Prisons, on the order relative to amending the statutes concerning the appointment of Inspectors of the State Prison, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Bartholomew, on leave, introduced a bill relative to proceedings in divorce cases, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill to fix the salary of the district-attorney of the North-Western District; and

Mr. Crosby, from said committee on the House resolve granting taxes to the several counties, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and the former was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, and the latter was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of Henry F. Wing and others, in aid of the Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company.

Mr. Bartholomew presented a remonstrance of A. E. Day and others, against the petition for the removal of the Foster Street Station in the city of Worcester.

Severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Tenney presented a petition of Sarah M. Hayes, for State aid.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, presented a remonstrance of E. Murdock and others, against the petition of William B. Washburn and others.

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, presented a petition of Josiah D. Canning and others, of the town of Gill; and

A petition of J. Chenery and others, that the town of Montague, may severally be authorized to subscribe to the stock of the Turner's Falls Bridge Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

- Resolves,
 Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham. Allowing to towns of Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham certain sums due as corporation taxes (on the order in relation to the subject and a petition of the town of Tyringham);
 James Sweeney. In favor of James Sweeney (on the petition of Charles M. Duncan);
 Westport. In favor of the town of Westport for aid furnished to Amelia P. Lewis (on the petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Westport), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.
- Bills,
 Concerning the assessment of land damages;
 For the better regulation of slaughter-houses and other noxious and offensive trades, were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.
- Trout. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that the committee on the Fisheries inquire if any further legislation is necessary to protect trout; also
 Ib. That said committee consider the expediency of amending chapter 94 of the Acts of the year 1862, by striking out all of the first section after the word "line," and inserting instead thereof, the following words or their equivalent in meaning: "nor shall any person take any trout in the waters of said pond or stream at any season of the year without the written permission of the proprietor or proprietors of the land bordering upon the same."
- Aurora H. O. Phelps et als. A petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, for an act of incorporation as the Woman's Economical Garden Homestead League, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.
- Thomas J. Tolman et als. A petition of the town of Hanover in aid of that of Thomas J. Tolman and others, was referred to the committee on Agriculture.
- Attleborough. A petition of Randolph Knapp and others, in aid of the passage of the resolve to authorize the selectmen of the town of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- Worcester. Remonstrances of
 Mrs. George A. Parker and others;
 Thornton K. Ware and others;
 Alexander De Witt and others;
 J. E. Waite and others; and
 Charles Minfield and others, severally against the petition for the removal of the Foster Street Station in the city of

Worcester, were severally referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire, and the act to establish the district court of Southern Berkshire ;

To incorporate the Orange Savings Bank ;

To authorize the Boston Theological Seminary and the Trustees of the Boston University to unite, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill authorizing the city of Boston to pay to Charles Burrill the sum of forty thousand dollars, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Charles Burrill.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

In addition to an act to supply the city of Charlestown with pure water (as heretofore amended) ;

To increase the jurisdiction in civil cases of police and municipal courts, and of the district court of Central Berkshire ;

To incorporate the Morse Institute in Natick ;

To authorize Henry Gardner to extend his wharf in Weymouth ;

Authorizing the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, the first with an amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill concerning the Trustees of the Permanent Peace Fund, was amended in the title by substituting therefor the following : " Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the Trustees of the Permanent Peace Fund," and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Permanent Peace Fund.

Came up concurred.

The bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits and hares, was amended and ordered to a third reading.

Rabbits and hares.

The bill to annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough, was taken from the table, amended, and *refused* a third reading.

Sheffield and New Marlborough.

The message from the Governor, transmitting a communication from Admiral Shubrick concerning the purchase of land by the United States for light-house purposes, was taken

Admiral Shubrick.

from the table and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Acts laid
before the
Governor.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

In addition to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Boston Pier or Long Wharf.

In addition to an act concerning manufacturing and other corporations.

To amend chapter 109 of the General Statutes, relating to the guardianship of minors.

For the better protection of black bass.

To incorporate the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association. Also

Resolves
laid before
the Govern-
or.

The following resolves, to wit :—

In favor of Timothy Murphy.

In favor of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

To authorize the issue of arms to Dean Academy.

The bill to authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Road Com-
missioners.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to provide for the election of road commissioners ; and

Cranberry
lands.

Mr. Wakefield, from the same committee, on the bill to provide for the proportional payment of the expense of erecting and maintaining dams, ditches and drains for the benefit of cranberry lands ; and

Assistant-
clerks of
courts in
Suffolk
County.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill to fix the salaries of the assistant clerk of the supreme judicial court and of the assistant clerk of the civil session of the superior court for the county of Suffolk, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were accordingly ordered to a second reading.

15th Mass.
regiment.

Mr. Hawes, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the officers and soldiers of the 15th Massachusetts regiment, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the order relative to providing that the Board of State Charities may make contracts for the support of town paupers in State almshouses, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, presented a petition of C. E. Parker and others, for the reenactment of the prohibitory law of 1867.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rhodes,—

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the recommendations contained in the last annual report of the Insurance Commissioner; and also whether any change is necessary in the general laws regulating the business of fire, marine and life insurance.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill relating to proceedings in divorce cases, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Luther Hill and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Spencer Savings Bank in the town of Spencer, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Canton and Hyde Park and the Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies and for uniting said corporations, came up concurred, with an amendment, proposing to insert a new section; also an amendment in the title, substituting therefor the following:—

“Bill relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies, and the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation,” and the amendments were adopted in concurrence.

A petition of John R. Pratt and others, in aid of that of John F. Dodge and others, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of William B. Stone and others, that the word “male” be stricken from the statutes wherever it is used to limit the suffrage, was referred to the joint special committee consisting of the Judiciary committees of the Senate and House.

Paupers.

Prohibitory law.

Insurance.

Divorce.

Spencer Savings Bank.

Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch R. R. Companies.

John F. Dodge et al.

William B. Stone et al.

Labor.

Petitions of

William D. Foster and others ; and

Edward H. Rogers and others, severally that eight hours' labor may constitute a day's work, were referred to the committee on Labor.

Severally in concurrence.

Worcester
South-East
Agricultural
Society
Taxes.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill in relation to the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society ; and The resolve granting taxes to the several counties, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Mass. Central
R. R.
Co.

The bill to authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

North-West
ern District.

The Senate bill to fix the salary of the district-attorney of the North-Western District, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

District
courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.

The Senate bill to amend the act to establish the District Court of Northern Berkshire, and the act to establish the District Court of Southern Berkshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Rabbits and
hares.

The Senate bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits and hares, was read a third time, amended in title by striking therefrom the words "and hares," and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Orange Savings Bank ;

To authorize the Boston Theological Seminary and the Trustees of the Boston University to unite, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.

The Senate reports on the order relative to amending chapter 179 of the General Statutes, concerning the appointment of Inspectors of the State Prison ; and

On the order relative to the maintenance of the bridges in Essex County, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To incorporate the Dedham Public Library and Reading Room.

To incorporate the Everett and Chelsea Street Railway Company.

To incorporate the Newton Free Library.

To authorize the town of Edgartown to raise money for the purpose of opening a boat channel through South Beach.

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

To change the name of the Hitchcock Free Grammar School, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Sherborn and South Natick Railroad Company.

Concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company.

Relating to recording levies of executions on lands not attached on mesne process.

To provide for the use of a check list in the election of the officers of fire districts.

To repeal chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1870, concerning travel on Haverhill Bridge.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves passed and to Governor.

In favor of the town of Dana.

In favor of the Danvers Savings Bank.

In favor of the House of the Angel Guardian.

In favor of John Peck.

In favor of Margaret R. Dearborn.

In favor of Melia Walton.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, the vote whereby the bill to annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough was refused a third reading, was reconsidered, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on Towns.

Sheffield and New Marlborough.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of R. E. Apthorp and others reported

A bill to repeal chapter 353 of the Acts of 1869, authorizing the maintenance of a floating boat-house on Charles River, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles River.

Vermont
and Mass. R.
R. Co.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill to re-imburse the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company for expenditures on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, reported the same without amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Middlesex
County.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, the bill to authorize the Commissioners of the County of Middlesex to erect a new jail at Cambridge in said county, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Prisons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Eastern R.R.
Co.

Mr. Willcomb presented a remonstrance of John S. Choate, against the passage of the bill to authorize the Eastern Railroad Company to build a draw in the bridge over Annisquam River.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

North Attle-
borough
Odd Fellows'
Hall Associa-
tion.
Reports.

A bill to incorporate the North Attleborough Odd Fellows' Hall Association (on the petition of the same) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petitions of

Mary W. McKenney ;

S. G. Cheever ; and

E. H. Walton and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Asylum for
Discharged
Female Pris-
oners at
Dedham.

A report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, in relation to an amendment proposed by the Senate to the resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, the report recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the amendment, and concur therein with an amendment making the sum allowed in the resolve two thousand dollars, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Soldiers of
the war of
1812.

A resolve directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to obtain certain evidences of the service of Massachusetts men during the war of 1812, was referred in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Connecticut
River R. R.
Co.

Petitions of George S. Taylor and others ; and Lewis Han- num and others, severally in aid of that of the Connecticut

River Railroad Company, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Petitions of

Washingtonian Home.

Chickering and Sons and others; and

Little, Brown and Company and others, in aid of that of the Washingtonian Home, were referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition of Harriet N. Lee, for State aid on account of military services of her husband, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Harriet N. Lee.

A petition of Leander Brownell and others, in aid of that of the Boston Eight Hour League, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

Boston Eight Hour League.

Severally in concurrence.

A petition of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, for amendment of charter, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Spencer Savings Bank;

Relating to proceedings in divorce cases;

To provide for the election of road commissioners;

To provide for the proportional payment of the expense of erecting and maintaining dams, ditches and drains for the benefit of cranberry lands, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to fix the salaries of the assistant clerk of the supreme judicial court, and of the assistant clerk of the civil session of the superior court for the county of Suffolk, was ordered to be engrossed.

Assistant clerks of courts in Suffolk County.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Mass. Central R. R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in relation to the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Worcester South-East Agricultural Society.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House resolve granting taxes to the several counties, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Taxes.

The reports,
 15th Mass. Regiment. On the petition of the officers and soldiers of the 15th Massachusetts Regiment; and
 Paupers. On the order relative to providing for the support of town paupers in State almshouses in certain cases, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills enacted. The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To incorporate the Boston Base Ball Association.

To authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant.

To incorporate the Trustees of the Berkshire Athenæum. For supplying the city of Fall River with pure water.

New England Hospital for Women and Children. Under a suspension of the rule respecting reconsideration, Mr. Rhodes moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule to admit the petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, and the motion being considered, was carried in the affirmative, and the petition was then referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Winnisimmet Ferry Co. Mr. Frost, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of the Winnisimmet Company, reported

A bill authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Expenditures, on the petition of E. A. Edwards and others, reported

Hampshire County. A bill fixing the salaries of the Commissioners of Hampshire County.

Suffolk County. Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to change the time of holding the October term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk, reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Norfolk, reported

A bill to better define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham. Norfolk and Wrentham.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the message from the Governor, transmitting a communication from Admiral Shubrick, reported

Bills,

To provide for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of the title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State ; United States.

To give the consent of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the bill for the better regulation of slaughter-houses and other noxious and offensive trades, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and the bill was ordered to a second reading. Slaughter-houses, &c.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the House bill concerning the assessment of land damages, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection. Land damages.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Berkshire,—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons inquire whether any legislation is necessary to compel the county of Bristol to make alteration in their jail in the city of Taunton, so that it shall meet the requirements of existing statutes. Taunton, jail in.

Mr. Greeley presented a petition of Matthew Conner and others, that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a day's work. Matthew Conner et al.

Referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill in addition to an act to increase the capital stock of the Lowell Gas Light Company, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Lowell Gas Light Co.

Bills,

Bills. *

For supplying the city of Lynn with pure water ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company (in a new draft), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

- Bridgewater, Normal School-house at.** A resolve relating to the Normal School-house at Bridgewater, was read and referred in concurrence to the committee on Education.
- Charles Hamant et als.** A report of the committee on Railways, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Charles Hamant and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Chelsea Gas Light Co.** A bill to enable the Chelsea Gas Light Company to extend its pipes into the town of Everett, was read and referred to the committee on Manufactures in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.
- Alfred Kittridge et als.** A report discharging the committee on Mercantile Affairs from the further consideration of the petition Alfred Kittridge and others, and referring the same to the committee on Manufactures, was accepted in concurrence.
- William Denton et als.** A report of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of William Denton and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Railroad crossings.** *Ordered,* In concurrence, that the committee on Railways consider the expediency of changing the present crossing sign, or signal of danger, where a public highway crosses a steam railroad at grade. Also
- Maintenance of bridges by the Commonwealth.** That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing by law for the maintenance of bridges over tide-waters by the Commonwealth.
- Amos W. Mooney.** A petition of Amos W. Mooney, to extend his wharf in Newburyport, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors.
- Archibald Smith et als.** A petition of Archibald Smith and others, that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on the Labor Question.
- Marblehead and Lynn Railroad.** A petition of the Selectmen of Marblehead, in aid of the extension of time for filing the location of the Marblehead and Lynn Railroad, was referred to the committee on Railways.
- Dedham.** Severally in concurrence.
- Dedham.** Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of the Selectmen of the town of Dedham relative to the location of a railroad station in that town.
- Dedham.** Referred to the committee on Railways.
- Dedham.** Sent down for concurrence.
- Dedham.** Came up concurred.
- Bills.** The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To repeal chapter 353 of the Acts of the year 1869, authorizing the maintenance of a floating boat-house on Charles River ;

To incorporate the North Attleborough Odd Fellows' Association ;

To reimburse the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company, for expenditures on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Spencer Savings Bank, Spencer Savings Bank. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to proceedings in divorce cases, Divorce. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to provide for the election of road commissioners, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Road commissioners.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to provide for the proportional payment of the expense of erecting and maintaining dams, ditches and drains for the benefit of cranberry lands, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Cranberry lands.

The report of the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, in relation to the resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, was accepted in concurrence. Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham.

The House reports on the petitions of,

E. H. Walton and others ;

S. G. Cheever ; and

Mary W. McKenney, were severally accepted in concurrence. Reports.

On motion of Mr. Howe, the vote whereby the bill to authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad was ordered to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the bill was thereupon further amended and passed to be engrossed. Mass. Central R. R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :— Bills enacted, and to Governor.

To authorize the Wellesley Congregational Society to sell real estate.

To change the name of the Winnisimmet Congregational Society in Chelsea.

To change the name of the town of North Chelsea.

To authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge.

To authorize special contracts for the transportation of passengers on designated trains upon railroads.

To confirm the organization and certain acts of the Mount Pleasant Association in Abington.

To amend the 36th section of chapter 38 of the General Statutes, in relation to the maintenance of school-houses by towns.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, March 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Worcester. Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the bill concerning the municipal court of the city of Worcester, and the report was accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

New England Trust Co. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill in addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Jenny Collins et al. Mr. Caswell, from the committee on the Labor Question, on the petition of Jenny Collins and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

To revive the charter of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company (on the petition of Alpheus Swallow and others);

To incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company (on the petition of C. W. Bellows and others);

To incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company (on the petition of James T. Burnap and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Education, on the petition of Henry F. French and others ;—

Henry F. French et als.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of A. K. Tilden ; and of the committee on Horse Railways, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to limiting the number of passengers to be carried on horse cars, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

A. K. Tilden. Horse cars.

A bill to authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square to sell its meeting-house, and for other purposes, was referred in concurrence, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Brattle Sq. Church.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Federal Relations, report forthwith on the petition of Lewis Hayden and others, that the members of Congress from Massachusetts be instructed to use their best endeavors to protect the loyalists of the Southern States.

Lewis Hayden et als.

A memorial of George M. Weston for re-imbursement of his expenditures in procuring the payment of the war claim of 1812, against the government of the United States, was referred to the committee on Claims.

George M. Weston.

A petition of A. Waterman and others, in aid of that of the Chelsea Gas Light Company, was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Chelsea Gas Light Co.

A petition of James M. Gardner and others, in aid of that of the Boston Eight Hour League, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

Labor.

A remonstrance of Benjamin P. Dix and others, against the removal of the Foster Street Railroad Station in the city of Worcester, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Worcester, Foster St. Station in.

A petition of the New Bedford Institution for Savings, for re-imbursement of a tax paid to the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Claims.

New Bedford Savings Institution.

A petition of John Potts and others, that a law may be passed making ten hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the committee on Labor.

John Potts et als.

Severally in concurrence.

Mr. Wakefield, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the Shawmut Railroad Company to contract with the Old Colony and Newport Railroad Company to construct its rail-

Shawmut Railroad Co.

road, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Railways.

Insane.

Mr. Richardson, on leave, introduced a bill revising the laws for the discharge of persons confined as insane, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the above rule to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lewis Hayden et als.

On motion of Mr. Elliot, the vote whereby the order in relation to the petition of Lewis Hayden and others was adopted, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was laid on the table.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
Fixing the salaries of the commissioners of Hampshire County;

To change the time of holding the term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk now required by law to be held in October;

To better define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Winnisimmet Ferry Co.

The bill authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor, was read a second time.

Mr. Bird proposed an amendment to the bill, striking out of the second section, the words "or otherwise take," and the question on the adoption thereof was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,

Thayer, A.—2.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,
Caswell,
Collins,
Frost,
Hawes,
Long,
Park,
Safford,
Wakefield,

Boardman,
Clark, A. J.,
Elliot,
Goodman,
Howe,
Monroe,
Pierce,
Sproat,
Whiting,

Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,
Fox,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Packard,
Richardson,
Stickney,
Willcomb.—27.

So the amendment was rejected and the bill thereupon ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

To provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State;

To give the consent of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes, were severally laid on the table.

The bill for the better regulation of slaughter-houses and other noxious and offensive trades, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading. Slaughter-houses.

The House bill concerning the assessment of land damages, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected. Land damages, assessment of.

The House reports on the petitions of, Reports.
Charles Hamant and others; and

William Denton and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Senate bill to repeal chapter 353 of the Acts of the year 1869, authorizing the maintenance of a floating boat-house on Charles River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Charles River, boat-house on.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

To incorporate the North Attleborough Odd Fellows' Hall Association; Bills.

To reimburse the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company for expenditures on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report on the petition of the Lenox Glass Company, was taken from the table and accepted. Lenox Glass Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Morse Institute in Natick.

To incorporate the Orange Savings Bank.

To authorize the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock.

To authorize Henry Gardner to extend his wharf in Weymouth.

To increase the jurisdiction in civil cases, of police and municipal courts, and of the district court of Central Berkshire.

Relating to the Canton and Hyde Park and Stoughton Branch Railroad Companies, and the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation.

Disabled
soldiers.

An engrossed resolve in favor of disabled soldiers who have served in Massachusetts regiments (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Taunton. Mr. Wood, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton, reported

A bill to authorize the city of Taunton to change the course of Little River.

**Amherst
College.**

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the bill in relation to the election of Trustees of Amherst College, reported the same in a new draft, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Lynn.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill for supplying the city of Lynn with pure water, reported the same without amendment.

**Normal
school
boarding-
houses.**

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and the bill and resolve were ordered to a second reading.

**Merrimack
River.**

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Jesse B. Butterfield and others, reported

A bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Merrimack River; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

**Sarah M.
Hayes.**

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Sarah M. Hayes, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

**Mass. Infant
Asylum.**

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the Massachusetts Infant Asylum, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by law a tenure of office for the State Board of Education. Board of Education.

A petition of A. H. C. Phelps and others, in aid of that of the Boston Eight Hour League, was referred to the committee on the Labor Question in concurrence. Labor.

Mr. Tenney presented a petition of Nathaniel Aglar, for State aid on account of services in the navy of the United States. Nathaniel Aglar.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to revive the charter of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Newburyport and Amesbury Horse R. R. Co.

The bill in addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company, was read twice under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. New England Trust Co.

The bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company, were severally passed over.

The Senate report on the petition of Jenny Collins and others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The report on the petition of A. K. Tilden, was laid on the table. Reports.

The House reports on the petition of Henry F. French and others ; and

On the order relative to limiting the number of passengers conveyed on street cars, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill fixing the salaries of the commissioners of Hampshire County, was read a third time, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :— Hampshire County Commissioners.

YEAS.—Messrs. Boardman,
Clark, J. W.,
Frost,
Sproat,

Bradley,
Crosby,
Long,
Wakefield,

Clark, A. J.,
Fox,
Pierce,
Willcomb —12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,
Collins,

Bird,
Elliot,

Caswell,
Fletcher,

NAYS.—Messrs. Goodman, Hawes, Howe,
Park, Safford, Tenney,
Whiting, Wood.—14.

So the bill was rejected.

Suffolk
County.

The Senate bill to change the time of holding the term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk, now required by law to be held in October, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Norfolk and
Wrentham.

The Senate bill to better define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed (after being amended in the title by striking therefrom the word "better").

Sent down for concurrence.

Winnisimmet Ferry
Co.

The Senate bill authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston and to take land therefor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Slaughter-
houses, &c.

The House bill for the better regulation of slaughter-houses and other noxious and offensive trades, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, and the question then being on the title, the bill was committed to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Light-houses

The bill to provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to lands for sites of light-stations, on the coasts and waters of this State, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Boston Theological
Seminary and the
Trustees of the Boston
University.

An engrossed bill to authorize the Boston Theological Seminary and the Trustees of the Boston University to unite (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 28, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

United
States, security of life,
liberty and property in.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the petition of J. B. Smith and others, and Lewis Hayden and others, reported

Resolutions in relation to further legislation by Congress to secure life, liberty and property in the United States, and the same was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to pay of coroners (on the petition of William Jeffers and others), was referred to the committee on the Treasury. Coroners.

Bills,

Bills.

To amend the act incorporating the North American Fire Insurance Company (on the petition of the same);

Concerning the Cambridge Land and Building Company (on the petition of the same);

Concerning the Boston and Lynn Union Railway Company (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Boston and
Lynn Union
Railway Co.

A resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution to fix the compensation of members of the Legislature, was read and referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitution.

A petition of Wesley C. Sawyer, for compensation for services in recruiting in the year 1861, was referred to the committee on Claims. Wesley C.
Sawyer.

Severally in concurrence.

Remonstrances of

Perline F. Mowry and others; and

Esek Saunders and others, severally against the petition of the Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company, were referred to the committee on Railways. Grafton and
Millbury R.
R. Co.

The following message was received from the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, March 28, 1871.

To the Honorable Senate.

I return herewith without my approval, the bill entitled "An Act to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant." Nahant,
wharf in.

The parties to whom the grant is made are not residents of Nahant, and own no property there. They leased about an acre of land at Bass Point, but the lessors had no knowledge of their intention to construct a wharf, and when the application for a license was made to the Legislature they strenuously opposed the grant. The people of the town by a very large majority instructed the selectmen to protest against the application, and every householder is opposed to it,

There seems to be no public demand for any such structure, and the proposed landing is not for the benefit of the people of Nahant and is not asked for by them. No road nor public street leads to the piece of land in question and none is demanded by the public convenience.

In a single instance only, has the State made a grant of this character to parties holding an estate by lease, and then there was no protest from owners of the soil.

It would seem to be an unwise precedent to give to lessees of small pieces of territory bordering on the ocean licenses for the construction of wharves against the protest of the owner in fee and the inhabitants in the neighborhood. A grant of this kind should be for the public good, or, at least, not to the detriment of the neighbors of the grantees.

For these reasons, I have withheld my assent to the bill, and return it to the branch in which it originated, for reconsideration.

WILLIAM CLAFLIN.

And the message was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Henry Onion
et al.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of Henry Onion and others; and

John Kelliher.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of John Kelliher, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Grafton and
Millbury R.
R. Co.

Mr. Wood presented a petition of Samuel Harrington and others, in aid of that of the Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State;

To provide for the election of Trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof;

To authorize the city of Taunton to change the course of Little River;

For supplying the city of Lynn with pure water, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Normal
school
boarding-
houses.

The resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate report on the petition of Sarah M. Hayes, was accepted. Sarah M. Hayes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of the Massachusetts Infant Asylum, was accepted in concurrence. Mass Infant Asylum.

The House bill to revive the charter of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Newburyport and Amesbury Horse R. R. Co.

The House bill to incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS—Messrs. Boardman,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Hawes,
Howe,	Monroe,	Packard,
Pierce,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting.—14.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Caswell,	Collins,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Long,
Park,	Richardson,	Stearns,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Whitney,
Willcomb.—18.		

And the President voting in the negative the bill was refused a third reading.

Subsequently Mr. Pierce moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The orders of the day were laid on the table.

Mr. Crosby moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill fixing the salaries of the commissioners of Hampshire County was rejected, and that motion was laid on the table. Hampshire County Commissioners.

The bill to give the consent of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes, was taken from the table, read a second time and ordered to a third reading. United States.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company was read a second time; but without question thereon, the Senate Adjourned. Middlesex Central R.R. Co.

WEDNESDAY, March 29, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Rufus Ellis
et alia.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire presented a petition of Rufus Ellis and others, for the establishment of a reformatory institution for girls.

Referred to the committee on Prisons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

N. E. Hospital for Women and Children.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, reported

A bill to authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal property, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Tewksbury, hospital for insane at.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be directed to inquire if any legislation is necessary, with a view to carrying out the provisions of section 10 of chapter 288 of the Acts of 1864, in relation to the hospital for the insane at Tewksbury.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Ib.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of erecting a building upon the grounds of the Commonwealth at Tewksbury, for the use of the harmless and incurable insane.

Dominica, resolutions concerning.

The following order was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow:—

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations are hereby instructed to report within five days the resolutions concerning Dominica submitted to them January 12, 1871.

Papers from the House.

Lynn.

A bill concerning juvenile offenders in the city of Lynn, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Nathaniel Cogswell et alia.

A petition of Nathaniel Cogswell and others, for an act of incorporation as the Yarmouth Savings Bank, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Nahant, wharf in.

The message from the Governor returning the bill to authorize William H. Swift and Lemuel M. Brock to construct a wharf in Nahant with certain objections thereto, was taken from the table and the question being stated, Shall the bill

pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding? the vote was taken thereon, and it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Boardman, Goodman, Richardson, Tenney,	Caswell, Long, Stearns, Wood.—11.	Collins, Park, Stickney,
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Clark, A. J., Elliot, Frost, Howe, Pierce, Thayer, A., Whiting,	Bartholomew, Clark, J. W., Fletcher, Greeley, Kimball, - Safford, Thayer, S., Whitney,	Bird, Crosby, Fox, Hawes, Monroe, Sproat, Wakefield, Willcomb.—24.

So the Senate refused to pass the bill.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company was refused a third reading, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood, Clark, A. J., Frost, Kimball, Pierce, Sproat, Whiting.—19.	Bartholomew, Clark, J. W., Hawes, Monroe, Rhodes, Stickney,	Boardman, Fletcher, Howe, Packard, Safford, Wakefield,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Bates, Collins, Greeley, Richardson, Thayer, A.,	Bird, Elliot, Long, Stearns, Whitney,	Caswell, Goodman, Park, Tenney, Willcomb.—15.
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So the vote was reconsidered, and the question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood, Clark, J. W., Hawes, Monroe, Rhodes, Thayer, S.,	Boardman, Fletcher, Howe, Packard, Safford, Wakefield,	Clark, A. J., Frost, Kimball, Pierce, Sproat, Whiting.—18.
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NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Caswell, Goodman, Park, Tenney, Willcomb,	Bates, Collins, Greeley, Richardson, Thayer, A., Wood.—17.	Bird, Elliot, Long, Stearns, Whitney,
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So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Middlesex
Central R.R.
Co.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the bill to incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company, and the same was ordered to a third reading.

Tyngsbor-
ough and
Brookline R.
Co.
Bills.

The bill to incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company; and

The bills,

To amend the act incorporating the North American Fire Insurance Company;

Concerning the Cambridge Land and Building Association;

Concerning the Boston and Lynn Union Railway Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Security of
life, liberty
and property

The resolutions in relation to further legislation by Congress to secure life, liberty and property in the United States, were read a second time.

Mr. Stearns proposed an amendment to the resolutions, whereupon the whole subject was laid on the table and the amendment ordered to be printed.

Worcester.

The Senate bill concerning the municipal court of the city of Worcester, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

United
States.

The Senate bill to give the consent of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Id.

The Senate bill to provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to land for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Amherst
College.

The Senate bill to provide for the election of Trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof, was read a third time and recommitted to the committee on Education.

Little River
in Taunton.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Taunton to change the course of Little River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Normal
School
boarding-
houses.

The Senate resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill for supplying the city of Lynn with pure ^{Lynn.} water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to authorize the county commissioners of ^{Merrimack River.} the county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Merrimack River, was further considered, and an amendment having been proposed thereto, the subject was laid on the table and the amendment ordered to be printed.

The reports on the petitions of
John Kelliher; and

Reports.

Henry Onion and others, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

An engrossed bill in addition to an act to incorporate the ^{N. E. Trust Co.} New England Trust Company (which originated in the House) passed to be enacted.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, reported ^{Coroners.} the bill in relation to the pay of coroners without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Harriet Jacobs, reported that the petitioner have ^{Harriet Jacobs.} leave to withdraw; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the ^{Rabbits.} House announcing that the Senate bill to aid in the preservation of rabbits had been rejected by that branch.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Bills in the ^{Slaughter-houses.} Third Reading, reported the bill for the better regulation of slaughter-houses and other noxious and offensive trades, with an amendment in the title, substituting therefor the following:—

“ Bill concerning slaughter-houses and noxious and offensive trades ”; and the amendment was adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 30, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

New Eng-
land Trust
Co.

An act in addition to an act to incorporate the New England Trust Company, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Worcester
Real Estate
and Building
Association.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Worcester Real Estate and Building Association, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

East Boston
Dry Dock Co.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the East Boston Dry Dock Company, reported

A bill to reduce the capital stock of the East Boston Dry Dock Company; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Public insti-
tutions.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the order relative to public institutions holding more real estate than authorized by their charter, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Ware.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Selectmen of Ware, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Elliot,—

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of authorizing the inspectors of the Tewksbury State Almshouse to purchase additional land for pasturage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Hoosac Tun-
nel.

Ordered, That His Excellency the Governor, be requested to furnish to the Senate, a copy of the communication from Edward S. Philbrick, consulting engineer to the Governor and Council, in regard to building the railroad from the west portal of the Hoosac Tunnel to North Adams.

Labor.

Mr. Stickney presented a petition of Samuel Sumner and others, for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work.

Referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and
Children to hold additional real estate ;

In relation to the pay of coroners, were severally read a
second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report on the petition of Harriet Jacobs was accepted. Harriet
Sent down for concurrence. Jacobs.

Came up concurred.

The order offered yesterday by Mr. Stearns, in relation to Dominica.
the proposed annexation of Dominica, was rejected.

The bill to incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston
Railroad Company, was read a third time, and the question Nashua,
on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and Acton and
nays, as follows, to wit:— Boston R. R.
Co.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Boardman,	Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,	Fox,	Frost,
Hawes,	Kimball,	Monroe,
Packard,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield.—16.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Bird,
Caswell,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Long,
Park,	Richardson,	Stearns,
Thayer, A.,	Whitney,	Willcomb,
Wood.—16.		

So the bill was rejected.

Subsequently Mr. Monroe moved a reconsideration of the
vote whereby the above bill was rejected, and the motion
was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The bills, Bills.

To incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company ;
To incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad
Company, were severally laid on the table.

The House bill to amend the act incorporating the North
American Fire Insurance Company, was read a third time
and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill concerning the Cambridge Land and Building
Association, was read a third time, amended in the title by
substituting therefor, the following:—

“Bill to authorize the Cambridge Land and Building
Association to purchase additional real estate, and legalize
certain conveyances therefor,” and passed to be engrossed in
concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for
concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston and
Lynn Union
Railway Co.

The House bill concerning the Boston and Lynn Union Railway Company, was read a third time, amended in the title by substituting therefor the following: "Bill to revive the charter and change the name of the Boston and Lynn Union Railroad Company," and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Commission-
ers of Hamp-
shire
County.

On motion of Mr. Crosby, the vote whereby the bill fixing the salaries of the commissioners of the county of Hampshire was rejected, was reconsidered, and the question then recurring on ordering the bill to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Boardman,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fox,	Frost,	Monroe,
Packard,	Park,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Richardson,	Sproat,
Stearns,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whitney.—20.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Caswell,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Kimball,	Safford,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Wood.—11.	

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills en-
acted, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Worcester Choral Union.

To change the name of the Hollis Evangelical Society in Framingham.

Uniting and consolidating the Proprietors of the Tremont Mills and the Suffolk Manufacturing Company.

In addition to an act to increase the capital stock of the Lowell Gas Company.

To confirm certain proceedings of the Trustees of the Permanent Peace Fund.

Taxes.

An engrossed resolve granting taxes to the several counties (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Papers from the House.

Salem.

A bill concerning the purchase of water rights by the city of Salem, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to ^{Bridget Agen.} withdraw on the petition of Bridget Agen, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 31, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, from the committee on Banks ^{Savings Banks.} and Banking, on the order in relation to the equalization of the earnings of deposits in savings banks; and

On the order in relation to limiting savings banks in de- ^{cl.} claring dividends, reported on the same severally that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider ^{Judges of Probate and Insolvency.} the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 7 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the salaries of the judges of probate and insolvency.

Mr. Clark presented a petition of Jacob Sleeper and others, ^{Lasell Female Seminary.} Trustees of Lasell Female Seminary, for a change of name, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of Patrick O. Riordon, ^{Patrick O. Riordon.} for indemnity for the loss of a horse while employed by the Commonwealth.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Stearns presented a remonstrance of William Whiting and others; and

Mr. Crosby, a remonstrance of Joel Hayden and others, ^{Connecticut River R. R. Co.} severally against the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the ^{Ashburnham Savings Bank.} Ashburnham Savings Bank, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to make the Northampton bridge free (on the petition of Eliphalet Williams and others), was read and ordered ^{Northampton bridge.} to a second reading.

- Reports.** Reports granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Claims, on the petition of Joan Baxter ;
Of the committee on Education, on the petitions of S. W. Hall and others ; and
Henry Mallen and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Pharmacy.** A bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.
- Pigeon Hill Granite Co.** A petition of the Pigeon Hill Granite Company of Rockport, for authority to build a wharf and breakwater, was referred to the committee on Harbors.
Severally in concurrence.
- State prison for women.** *Ordered,* In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons inquire into the expediency of establishing a State Prison for Women. Also
- County maps.** That the committee on Education be directed to consider the propriety of renewing the copies of the county maps of the counties of Essex, Middlesex and Worcester, for the files in the Secretary's department.
- Liquors.** Mr. Monroe, on leave, introduced a bill to suspend the statutes relating to the seizure of intoxicating liquors, and the same was read, whereupon, the same senator proposed as a substitute therefor, a bill relating to the constable of the Commonwealth and his deputies, and the substitute was adopted and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.
- Constable of the Commonwealth.** The orders of the day were taken up, and the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company was rejected, was ordered to be placed first in the orders of the day for Tuesday next.
- Nashua, Acton and Boston R. R. Co.**
- East Boston Dry Dock Co.** The bill to reduce the capital stock of the East Boston Dry Dock Company, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- New England Hospital for women and children.** The Senate bill to authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.
- Coroners.** The bill in relation to the pay of coroners, was passed over.
- Public Charitable Institutions.** The report on the order relative to public charitable institutions holding more real estate than authorized by their charters, was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The House report on the petition of Bridget Agen, was accepted in concurrence.

Bridget
Agen.

The report on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Ware, was laid on the table.

Selectmen of
Ware.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Bills en-
acted, and to
Governor.

To incorporate the Lee and Hudson Railroad Company.

To incorporate the North Attleborough Odd Fellows Hall Association.

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Charlestown with pure water.

To provide for the proportional payment of the expense of erecting and maintaining dams, ditches and drains for the benefit of cranberry lands.

To provide for the election of road commissioners.

An engrossed resolve in aid of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham (which originated in the House), passed, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, April 1, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting in compliance with an order of the Senate, a copy of a communication from Edward S. Philbrick, consulting engineer, upon the building of the railroad from the Hoosac Tunnel to North Adams, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Hoosac Tun-
nel.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill concerning the purchase of water rights in the city of Salem; and

Salem.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the House bill concerning juvenile offenders in the city of Lynn, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Lynn.

Mr. Sproat presented petitions of Joseph T. Wood and others; and S. T. Nelson and others, severally for a change in the laws in relation to fisheries in Taunton and Newmarket Rivers.

Joseph T.
Wood et al.
S. T. Nelson
et al.

Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.***Bills.****Bills,**

To incorporate the Sawin Academy in Sherborn (on the petition of Jonathan Holbrook and others);

To revive the charter of the Charles River Navigation Company (in a new draft), were severally read and ordered to a second reading,

New Bedford.

A bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford, in relation to highway surveyors, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Taunton
Great River
and New-
market Riv-
er.
Lynn.**

A bill concerning the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, was read and laid on the table.

The bill for supplying the city of Lynn with pure water came up *non-concurred* in the Senate amendment thereto, and the same was laid on the table.

Reports.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Henry Carter and others;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the Carney Hospital and Saint Anne's Infant Asylum, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

**Compensa-
tion of assess-
ors of
towns.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns inquire what further legislation, if any, is needed with reference to the compensation allowed assessors for their services. Also

State map.

That the committee on Education, consider the expediency of furnishing each city and town in the Commonwealth with a copy of the State map, recently published under the superintendence of Henry F. Walling, as authorized by chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1870.

**Northamp-
ton Bridge.**

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to make the Northampton Bridge free, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**East Boston
Dry Dock Co.**

The Senate bill to reduce the capital stock of the East Boston Dry Dock Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Coroners.

The bill in relation to the pay of coroners, was passed over.

**Savings
banks.**

The Senate reports on the order relative to limiting savings banks in declaring dividends; and

On the order equalizing the earnings of deposits in savings banks, were severally accepted. Savings banks.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports on the petitions of Reports.
Joan Baxter ;
S. W. Hall and others ; and
Henry W. Allen and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :— Bills enacted, and to Governor.

To incorporate the Spencer Savings Bank.

In relation to the Worcester South-East Agricultural Society.

To revive the charter of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railway Company.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 3, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the town of Somerville, reported Somerville.

A bill to establish the city of Somerville, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford, in relation to highway surveyors ; and New Bedford.

Mr. Boardman, from said committee, on the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and these bills were severally ordered to a second reading. Pharmacy.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Catharine Crowley, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Catharine Crowley.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill relating to the Constable of the Commonwealth and his deputies, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the State Police ; and said Constable of the Commonwealth.

report was accepted, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Came up concurred.

Notice of
non-accept-
ance of ne-
gotiable in-
struments
in Worcester.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, on leave, introduced a bill concerning notices of non-acceptance or non-payment of negotiable instruments in the city of Worcester, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Security to
life and
property.

The resolutions in relation to further legislation by Congress to secure life, liberty and property in the United States, were taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Hoosac Tun-
nel.

The message from the Governor, transmitting a communication from Edward S. Philbrick, consulting engineer, in relation to the building of the railroad at North Adams, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Fitchburg
Railroad Co.

A report of the committee on Railways asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, and referring the same to the next General Court; and

Reports.

Reports granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Railways, on the petition of William H. Davis and others; Of the committee on Claims, on the petitions of Daniel F. Morse; and

Mary Brayton, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mutual Life
Insurance
Co. of N. Y.

A bill to authorize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, to purchase real estate in this Commonwealth, was read and referred to the committee on Insurance.

J. B. Nichols
et als.

A remonstrance of J. B. Nichols and others, against amending the Act of 1869, in relation to the fisheries in Merrimack River, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Severally in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bills,

Divorces.

Relating to proceedings in divorce cases;

Infants.

For the better protection of infants, had been rejected by that branch.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
 To incorporate the Sawin Academy in Sherborn;
 To revive the charter of the Charles River Navigation
 Company;

Concerning juvenile offenders in the city of Lynn;

Concerning the purchase of water rights by the city of
 Salem, were severally read a second time and ordered to a
 third reading.

The bill to authorize the county commissioners of the
 county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a
 bridge across the Merrimack River, was passed over.

The House bill to make the Northampton Bridge free, was
 read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill in relation to the pay of coroners, was
 amended, and also in the title by substituting therefor the
 following:—

“Bill to establish the fees of coroners,” and passed to be
 engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were
 sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of Henry Carter and
 others, was accepted in concurrence.

The report on the petition of the Carney Hospital and
 Saint Anne's Infant Asylum, was considered.

Mr. Collins proposed as a substitute therefor a resolve in
 favor of the Carney Hospital and Saint Anne's Infant Asy-
 lum, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be
 printed.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 4, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the
 House resolve allowing the towns of Hancock and Tying-
 ham certain sums due as corporation taxes; and

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the House
 resolve in favor of the town of Westport, for aid furnished
 to Amelia P. Lewis, severally reported that the same ought
 to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the joint special committee
 on the Rights of Women to their Property and their Chil-
 dren, on the act relating to conveyance of real estate by married
 women, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the

Bills.

Merrimack
River.

Northamp-
ton Bridge.

Coroners.

Henry Car-
ter et als.

Carney Hos-
pital and St.
Anne's In-
fant Asy-
lum.

Hancock and
Tyringham.

Westport.

Conveyance
of real estate
by married
women.

bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Easthampton Public Library Association.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the bill relating to the Easthampton Public Library Association, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Clark of Middlesex, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the bills,

Co-operative Associations. People's banks.

Concerning registered coöperative associations ;

Concerning people's banks and other registered associations ; and

Josiah Quincy et als.

On the petition of Josiah Quincy and others, reported that legislation is unnecessary thereon.

Railway and other corporations.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the order in relation to the prosecution of railway and other corporations in certain cases, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Edward Earle et als.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Edward Earle and others ; and

W. B. Stone et als.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the petition of W. B. Stone and others ; and

Aurora H. C. Phelps.

Mr. Richardson, from the joint special committee on the Rights of Women to their Property and their Children, on the petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Frost from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of A. Waterman and others, reported

Everett

A bill to supply the town of Everett with water ; and the same was read, ordered to a second reading and laid on the table.

B. H. and M. R. R. Co.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the subject of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on the order relating to the proceeds of the sale of the scrip now remaining in the hands of Baring Brothers and Company, issued by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon ; also an opinion of the Attorney-General relative to the subject ; and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To protect the alewife fishery in Sandwich (on the petition of H. G. O. Ellis and others) ;

Fixing the compensation of the members of the Legislature, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Claims, on the petition of Mary M. Westgate; and

Mary M.
Westgate.

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Jonathan Ladd and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Jonathan
Ladd et al.

A bill to incorporate the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Cambridge (on the petition of Edward Kendall and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Pilgrim Cong-
regational
Society.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments report whether it is expedient to amend article 8 of the amendments of the Constitution, so as to admit the male inhabitants of the Commonwealth being twenty-one years of age and citizens of the United States, and being otherwise qualified to vote at elections for president and vice-president of the United States, representatives in Congress, and for other State officers, without requiring a State or county tax to be paid prior to such election by such inhabitant as a condition to his right to vote thereat, or otherwise abridging the same.

Constitu-
tion.

A petition of L. D. Hervey and others, for a change of the name of the town of North Bridgewater to that of Amburg instead of Standish, was referred to the committee on Towns.

L. D. Her-
vey et al.

A petition of the Salisbury Railroad Company, for extension of time within which to locate and construct its road, was referred to the committee on Railways.

Salisbury R.
R. Co.

A petition of Eleanor D. Rockford and others, in aid of that of the Boston Eight Hour League, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

Labor.

A remonstrance of D. L. Balch and others, against any change in the laws in relation to the fisheries in Merrimack River, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Merrimack
River.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company was rejected, the same was carried in the affirmative, and the question then recurring on ordering said bill to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Nashua,
Acton and
Boston R. R.
Co.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Clark, A. J.,
Frost,
Monroe,
Rhodes,
Stickney,
Whiting.—19.

Boardman,
Clark, J. W.,
Howe,
Packard,
Safford,
Thayer, S.,

Bradley,
Fletcher,
Kimball,
Pierce,
Sproat,
Wakefield,

NAYS —Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Collins,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Long,
Park,	Richardson,	Stearns,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Whitney,
Willcomb,	Wood.—14.	

So the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Security to
life, liberty
and property
in the U. S.

The resolutions in relation to further legislation by Congress to secure life, liberty and property in the United States, were laid on the table.

Bills.

The bills,

To establish the city of Somerville ;

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to highway surveyors ;

To regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Sawin Academy in Sherborn ;

To revive the charter of the Charles River Navigation Company ;

Concerning the purchase of water rights by the city of Salem ;

Concerning juvenile offenders in the city of Lynn, were read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Merrimack
River.

The bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Merrimack River, was next considered and the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Pierce was rejected, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Catharine
Crowley.

The Senate report on the petition of Catharine Crowley, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of the Fitchburg Railroad Company ;

Daniel F. Morse ;

Mary Brayton ; and

William H. Davis and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Criminals.
Carney
Hospital and
St. Anne's
Infant Asy-
lum.

The bill concerning the sentence of criminals ; and the report on the petition of the Carney Hospital and Saint Anne's Infant Asylum, were taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company, were severally taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 5, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to amending section 1 of chapter 7 of the Acts of 1870, reported Judge of probate for Suffolk County.

A bill to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the order relative to amending chapter 289 of the Acts of 1867, in relation to the fisheries in Merrimack River, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Merrimack River.

A communication was received from the Hon. Josiah Quincy, transmitting a report of the joint commission consisting of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Board of Railroad Commissioners, in relation to terminal facilities of certain railroad companies at the north side of the city of Boston, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Terminal facilities of railroads at the north side of the city of Boston.

Mr. Bartholomew, on leave, introduced a bill to change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Education. Blackstone Athenæum.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Henry Fowler and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the town of Maynard. Maynard.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Harvey Arnold and others, reported Water wheels.

A bill in relation to the inspection and testing of water-wheels; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to the rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband.

State constable.

A bill relating to the State constable and his deputies, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir, came up concurred, with certain amendments, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed as amended by the House.

Boston Water Power Co.

A bill in addition to an act to establish the Boston Water Power Company, was read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, in concurrence.

Surveying.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chapter 286 of the Acts of 1870, providing for the establishment of true meridian lines and for regulating the practice of surveying in the State, so as to provide for the testing of measuring apparatus used for that purpose.

Winchester.

A petition of Sumner Richardson and others, for an act authorizing the town of Winchester to purchase certain water rights, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Labor.

A petition of E. McLeod and others, in aid of that of the Boston Eight Hour League, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

Petitions.

A petition of Edwin Chase and others ; and
Petitions of

Horace Witt and others ;

Joseph Carew and others ; and

George F. Thompson and others, severally for authority to build a railroad from Holyoke to Belchertown, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally in concurrence.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
Relating to the Easthampton Public Library Association ;
To incorporate the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Cambridge ;

To protect an alewife fishery in the town of Sandwich ;
and the

Pittsfield,
Hancock
and Tyringham.

Resolve allowing the towns of Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham certain sums due as corporation taxes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Legislature.

The resolve fixing the compensation of the members of the Legislature, was read a second time.

Mr. Pierce proposed as a substitute for the resolve, the following :—

“Resolved, That there be allowed and paid out of the ^{Legislature.} treasury of the Commonwealth to each of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives the sum of five dollars per day for each day's attendance during the session.”

Mr. Richardson proposed the following as an amendment to that proposed by Mr. Pierce, to wit:—

“Provided, however, that there shall be deducted from the pay of each member of the Senate and House, the sum of ten dollars per day for every day the Legislature may be in session after the first day of May;” and the question on the last-named amendment was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Clark, A. J.,	Hawes,
Richardson,	Stearns,	Willcomb.—6.
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,
Collins,	Crosby,	Fletcher,
Fox,	Goodman,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Monroe,
Packard,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stickney,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Wood.—27.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the substitute proposed by Mr. Pierce, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, A. J.,	Fox,	Pierce,
Wood.—4.		
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Boardman,	Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,	Collins,	Crosby,
Fletcher,	Goodman,	Hawes,
Howe,	Kimball,	Long,
Monroe,	Packard,	Rhodes,
Richardson,	Safford,	Sproat,
Stearns,	Stickney,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Whitney,	Willcomb.—29.	

So the substitute was rejected.

The question then being on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bird,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,
Collins,	Crosby,	Fletcher,
Goodman,	Hawes,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Monroe,
Packard,	Rhodes,	Richardson,

YEAS.—Messrs. Safford,
Stickney,
Wakefield,
Willcomb.—28.

Sproat,
Thayer, A.,
Whiting,

Stearns,
Thayer, S.,
Whitney,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,
Wood.—4.

Clark, A. J.,

Pierce,

So the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

Westport.

The resolve in favor of the town of Westport, for aid furnished to Amelia P. Lewis, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Real estate,
conveyance
of, by mar-
ried women.

The bill relating to conveyance of real estate by married women, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Somerville.

The Senate bill to establish the city of Somerville, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Merrimack
River.

The Senate bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Merrimack River, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

New Bedford.

The House bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to highway surveyors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Pharmacy.

The bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, was read a third time, amended, and pending the consideration of a further amendment proposed thereto, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sentence of
criminals.

The report on order in relation to second offences was considered, and the bill concerning the sentence of criminals proposed as a substitute therefor, adopted and ordered to a second reading.

Carney Hos-
pital and
Saint Anne's
Infant Asy-
lum.

The resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital and Saint Anne's Infant Asylum, was further considered and rejected, and the report on the petition of the same was accepted in concurrence.

B. H. and E.
R. R. Co.

The report of the joint special committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on the order in relation to the proceeds of the sale of certain scrip now in the hands of Baring Brothers and Company, was committed to the committee on the Treasury.

The Senate report on the petition of Edward Earle and Edward Earle et als. others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports on the petitions of Josiah Quincy and others ;

Reports.

William B. Stone and others ; and

Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports on the petitions of

Ib.

Mary M. Westgate ; and

Jonathan Ladd and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill concerning the fisheries in Taunton Great River, Taunton Great River. was taken from the table and recommitted to the committee on the Fisheries.

The Senate report on the order in relation to the prosecutions of railroad and other corporations for non-compliance Railroad and other corporations. with provisions of law, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 7, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Wednesday was read.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on the order relative to the subject, reported

A bill to authorize guardians to purchase annuities, and Guardians. making further provisions relative to the appointment of guardians.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill to authorize David Crowell to extend his wharf in Beverly harbor, reported the same in a new draft, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. David Crowell.

Mr. Monroe offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing:—

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the Legislature 2,000 extra copies of the report of the joint commission on terminal facilities of certain railroad corporations on Terminal facilities of railroads at the north side of the

city of Boston. the northerly side of the city of Boston, two hundred of such copies to be delivered to the joint commission consisting of the Railroad and Harbor Commissioners.

E. E. Towne et als. Mr. Packard presented a petition of E. E. Towne and others, for the legalization of a certain town meeting in the town of Woburn.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Connecticut River R. R. Co.

Mr. Crosby presented remonstrances of George W. Burr and others ; Stephen Lyman and others ; and Enos Parsons and others, severally against the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company.

Severally referred the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To incorporate the Holden Savings Bank (on the petition of M. V. Jefferson and others) ;

To incorporate the Bristol Masonic Building Association in Attleborough (on the petition of Thomas G. Sandland and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Roxbury Branch R. R. Co.

A bill to revive the charter of the Roxbury Branch Railroad Company, was read and referred to the committee on Railways in concurrence.

Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors consider the expediency of establishing by law certain hours during which alone vessels shall pass through the draws of the bridges over Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel. Also,

Legislative business.

That a committee of three, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to inquire into the condition of the public business before the committees, and ascertain how soon they can conclude and report upon all business before them.

And Messrs. Kellogg of Pittsfield, McKim of West Roxbury, and Eastman of Greenfield are appointed the committee on the part of the House.

And Messrs. Pierce and Safford were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Judge of probate for Suffolk County.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk, was committed to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills.

The bills,

To incorporate the town of Maynard ;

In relation to the inspection and testing of water-wheels; Bills.

To supply the town of Everett with water;

Concerning the sentence of criminals, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report on the order in respect to amendment of the Merrimack River. act concerning the fisheries in Merrimack River, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to the Easthampton Public Library Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Easthampton Public Library Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Cambridge;

Fixing the compensation of the members of the Legislature;

To protect an alewife fishery in the town of Sandwich; and

The resolves,

In favor of the town of Westport, for aid furnished Amelia P. Lewis;

Allowing the towns of Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyringham certain sums due as corporation taxes, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which Bills enacted, and to Governor. originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To establish the police court of Holyoke.

To change the time of holding the term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk now required by law to be held in October.

To repeal chapter 358 of the Acts of the year 1869, authorizing the maintenance of a floating boat-house on Charles River.

Concerning slaughter-houses and noxious and offensive trades.

To amend the act incorporating the North American Fire Insurance Company.

To authorize the Cambridge Land and Building Association to purchase additional real estate and legalize certain conveyances thereof.

To revive the charter and change the name of the Boston and Lynn Union Railway Company.

Lynn.

The bill for supplying the city of Lynn with pure water, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston.

The bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir, was taken from the table, and the Senate concurred in the House amendments therein.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, April 8, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To incorporate the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society (on the petition of A. L. Tyler and others);

To define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Amesbury Savings Bank (on the petition of William H. Haskell and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

People's Mutual Fire Ins. Co.

A bill to continue in force an act to incorporate the People's Mutual Fire Insurance Company and the various acts in addition thereto, was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Insurance.

Winnisimmet Ferry Co.

The Senate bill to authorize the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor, came up concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

Chester B. Roberts.

A resolve in favor of the guardian of Chester B. Roberts, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children; and

G. O. Sanborn et als.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of G. O. Sanborn and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Thomas C. Chick.

A petition of Thomas C. Chick for the payment of State aid, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Insurance, on the petition of the Worcester Mutual Insurance Company for change of charter, reported

A bill to authorize the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth. Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Ins. Co.

The same senator, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Thomas F. Power and others, reported

A bill to annex a part of the town of Natick to the town of Framingham. Natick and Framingham.

Mr. Kimball, from the same committee, on the petition of the town of North Bridgewater, reported

A bill to change the name of the town of North Bridgewater ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. North Bridgewater.

Mr. Stickney, from the joint special committee under the resolve authorizing the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds, submitted a report thereon, to wit : that the committee had attended to the duty assigned them, and had seen destroyed, bonds, as per schedule annexed. Resolve authorizing the destruction of plates and bonds.

And the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Mr. Boardman, on leave, introduced a resolve authorizing Mary Jane De Zea to sell real estate, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Mary Jane De Zea.

Mr. Safford, on leave introduced a bill concerning suits against executors and administrators, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery. Executors and administrators.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land, and for other purposes ; and Trinity Church.

Mr. Richardson from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in relation to the rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. Rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

To authorize guardians to purchase annuities, and making further provisions relating to the appointment of guardians ;

To authorize David Crowell to extend his wharf in Beverly harbor ;

To incorporate the Holden Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Bristol Masonic Building Association in Attleborough, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the town of Maynard, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Maynard.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Water-
wheels.

The bill in relation to the inspection and testing of water-wheels, was laid on the table.

Everett.

The Senate bill to supply the town of Everett with water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Sentence of
criminals.

The Senate bill concerning the sentence of criminals, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Dukes
County
Academy.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in aid of Dukes County Academy, reported the same with an amendment, and the resolve was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wakefield, from the joint special committee, consisting of the committees on the Judiciary of the Senate and House, on the Governor's address relating to the subject, reported

Public park
in Boston.

A bill for the laying out of one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Connecticut
River R. R.
Co.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company, reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mt. Tom and
Easthampton
R. R.
Co.

Mr. Bird, from said committee, submitted a minority report on the same subject embracing a bill to incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

John A.
Lowell et als.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of John A. Lowell and others, for confirmation of a certain deed and the title under the same.

Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Jones E.
Estabrook
et als.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, presented a petition of Jones E. Estabrook and others, for an act of incorporation as the Worcester Wharf Company.

Referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors.

Connecticut
River R. R.
Co.

Mr. Crosby presented petitions of
J. A. Longley and others ;

Milo J. Smith and others ;

Alonzo Thayer and others ;

H. S. Cook and others ;

E. E. Denniston and others ; and

Connecticut
River R. R.
Co.

Elliott Montague and others, severally in aid of that of the Connecticut River Railroad Company ; and a memorial of E. A. Ramsey and others, asking that their names may be stricken from a remonstrance heretofore presented against said petition, were referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Templeton Savings Bank (on the petition of S. Cady and others) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Templeton
Savings
Bank.

A bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to settle with the legal representatives of Jonathan M. Crane was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Marblehead.

A bill to authorize the Dean Library Association in Medway to hold additional real and personal estate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Dean Li-
brary Asso-
ciation.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw of the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Alfred Kittredge and others ;

Alfred Kit-
tredge et als.

Of the committee on Railways, on the petition of Thomas M. Hopkinson and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Thomas M.
Hopkinson
et als.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railways consider whether any, and what further legislation is necessary in regard to the rights of railroad corporations to enter upon, unite with, and use the tracks of each other, and the rates of compensation to be paid for the same.

Railroad
corporations.

A petition of D. C. F. Ellis and others, in aid of that of John F. Dodge and others, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

John F.
Dodge et als.

A petition of Edward F. Campbell, for State aid, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Edward F.
Campbell.

A petition of D. H. Merriam and others, for the establishment of a normal school at Fitchburg, was referred to the committee on Education.

D. H. Merri-
am et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To authorize the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insur-

ance Company to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth ;

To annex a part of the town of Natick to the town of Framingham ;

To change the name of the town of North Bridgewater ;

To define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham ;

To incorporate the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society ;

In relation to the rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Trinity
Church in
Boston.
Guardians.

The bill to authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land and for other purposes, was passed over.

The Senate bill to authorize guardians to purchase annuities, and making further provisions relating to the appointment of guardians, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

David Crow-
ell.

The Senate bill to authorize David Crowell to extend his wharf in Beverly harbor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Holden Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Bristol Masonic Building Association, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Destruction
of plates
and bonds.

The Senate report of the committee appointed under the resolve for the destruction of certain plates and printed impressions of bonds, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of

The Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children ; and

G. O. Dearborn and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills en-
acted, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To authorize the city of Taunton to change the course of Little River.

To incorporate the Nashua, Acton and Boston Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Middlesex Central Railroad Company.
To incorporate the Tyngsborough and Brookline Railroad Company.

To make the Northampton Bridge free.

The report on the petition of the town of Ware, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the order in relation to the subject, reported Public schools.

A bill to authorize the school committees in cities to appoint superintendents of schools.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to the subject, reported Middlesex North Agricultural Society.

A bill authorizing the Middlesex North Agricultural Society to take land.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the bill to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk, without amendment, and the same was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Judge of probate in Suffolk County.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, to whom was recommitteed the bill to annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough, reported that the same ought to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Sheffield and New Marlborough.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill to authorize the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester to sell land, and for other purposes ; and State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester.

Mr. Stickney, from said committee, on the resolve in favor of James Sweeney, severally reported that said bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. James Sweeney.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the order relative to obtaining certain statistics of travel over Charles River and Fort Point Channel, submitted a report thereon. Charles River and Fort Point Channel.

Mr. Pierce, from the joint special committee, on the order in relation to the condition of the public business, submitted a report thereon, including the following order :— Legislative business.

Ordered, That all committees be, and the same hereby are, directed to report upon all matters referred to them, on or

before Wednesday, April 26th ; and these reports were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Captain's
Island.

Mr. Howe, on leave, introduced a resolve authorizing the sale of Captain's Island, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

James L.
Butman.

Mr. Hawes presented a petition of James L. Butman, for compensation for services rendered to the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Connecticut
River R. R.
Co.

Mr. Crosby presented remonstrances of Lucius Dimock and others ; and

John H. Wills and others, severally against the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company.

Laid on the table.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company to extend its tracks in Fitchburg (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Jamaica Plain Land Improvement Company (on the petition of P. Meehan and others), were read and ordered to a second reading.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations from the moiety of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund applicable to educational purposes, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills.

Bills,

In addition to an act concerning streets and highways ;

To extend the time for assessing betterments on estates on Fort Hill in the city of Boston ;

To amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Protection
to life and
property in
the U. S.

A resolve asking Congress for protection to life, liberty and property in all parts of the United States, was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

A report of the committee on Harbors, referring the bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to lay out a public street or way across the South Bay to the next General Court, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Petitions of

Gershom Clements and others ; and

E. S. Beals and others, severally in aid of that of David Whiton and others, were referred to the committee on Railways. David Whiton et als.

A petition of the Webster Fire Insurance Company, for an extension of charter, was referred to the committee on Insurance. Webster Fire Ins. Co.

Severally in concurrence.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the resolve in favor of the guardian of Chester B. Roberts ; and Chester B. Roberts.

Mr. Richardson, from the same committee, on the bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to settle with the legal representatives of Jonathan M. Crane, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. Marblehead.

Mr. Stearns presented a petition of the selectmen of Southwick, for the legalization of a certain town meeting in said town. Southwick.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill,

To incorporate the Templeton Savings Bank, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Templeton Savings Bank.

The resolve in aid of Dukes County Academy, was read a second time, and the amendment proposed thereto by the committee on the Treasury, rejected, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading. Dukes County Academy.

The bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, was passed over. Public park in Boston.

The report on the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company, was next considered. Connecticut River R. R. Co.

Mr. Howe proposed as a substitute therefor, the report of a minority of the committee on the same subject, viz. :—

Bill to incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company, and the same was adopted and ordered to a second reading. Mt. Tom and Easthampton R.R. Co.

The report on the petition of the town of Ware, was next considered. Ware.

Mr. Crosby proposed as a substitute for the same, a resolve in favor of the town of Ware, and the whole subject was laid on the table.

The Senate bill to annex a part of the town of Natick to the town of Framingham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Natick and Framingham.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

No. Bridge-⁷
water.

The Senate bill to change the name of the town of North Bridgewater, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Worcester
Manufacturers' Mu-
tual Ins. Co.

The Senate bill to authorize the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,

To define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham ;

To incorporate the Amesbury Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society ; were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Trinity
Church.

The bill to authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land, and for other purposes, was ordered to a third reading.

Rights of a
widow in the
estate of her
deceased
husband.
Reports.

The House bill in relation to the rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House reports on the petitions of

Thomas M. Hopkinson and others ; and

Alfred Kittredge and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills en-
acted, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To incorporate the Sawin Academy in Sherborn.

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford.

To revive the charter of the Charles River Navigation Company.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 12, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

J. C. Love-
joy.

Mr. Fox, from the joint special committee on the State Police, on the petition of J. C. Lovejoy, submitted a report that

In the prosecution of their inquiries they summoned one Michael Carney to appear before them, that said Carney appeared, that the usual oath was administered to him, and that the following question was put to him: "Have you ever paid any money to any State constable, and do you know of any corrupt practices or improper conduct of the State police? if so, state fully what sums and to whom you have thus paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt practices and improper conduct"; whereupon said Carney refused to answer the question, and denied the right of the Legislature to require him to testify. The committee therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Ordered, That the President of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms, commanding him to arrest Michael Carney of Boston, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to answer the following question of the joint special committee on the State Police, appointed to inquire if said State police is guilty of bribery and corruption:

Have you ever paid any money to any State constable, and do you know of any corrupt practice or improper conduct of the State police? if so, state fully what sums and to whom you have thus paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt practices or improper conduct.

And the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the order in relation to authorizing railroad corporations to keep their stations free from intruders, and on the order in relation to the ejection of passengers from cars in certain cases, and the bill in relation to the subject, reported

Railroad
police.

A bill to provide for a railroad police, and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the petition of S. S. Baxter and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

S. S. Baxter
et alia.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

To authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats (on the petition of said city);

To authorize William B. Belcher to construct a wharf in Winthrop (on the petition of the same); and

Resolves.

Resolves,

Directing the Adjutant-General to obtain certain evidences of the service of Massachusetts men during the war of 1812 (in a new draft);

Relating to the claims of the commissioners of the county of Berkshire for extra services (on the petition of Henry Noble and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

**State police,
committee
on.**

The following order was read, amended by striking therefrom the words, "for this week," and inserting in place thereof the words, "until April 20," and adopted in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on the State Police be authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature for this week.

Boston Belting Co.

A petition of the Boston Belting Company, for authority to increase its capital stock, was referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

T. J. Burns.

A petition of T. J. Burns, for State aid by reason of military services, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Petitions of

**Normal
school in
Worcester.**

William Kimball and others; and

George A. Torrey, severally that a normal school may be established in the northern part of Worcester County, were referred to the committee on Education.

Severally in concurrence.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
Authorizing the Middlesex North Agricultural Society to take land;

To increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk;

To incorporate the Jamaica Plain Land Improvement Company;

To authorize the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company to extend its tracks in Fitchburg;

To authorize the town of Marblehead to settle with the legal representatives of Jonathan M. Crane; and

The resolves,

In favor of the guardian of Chester B. Roberts;

In favor of James Sweeney, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to authorize the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester to sell land, and for other purposes, was ordered to a third reading.

Lunatic Hospital at Worcester.

The bills,

Bills.

To annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough;

To authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land, and for other purposes, were severally ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to incorporate the Templeton Savings Bank; and

Templeton Savings Bank.

The House resolve in aid of Dukes County Academy, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Dukes County Academy.

The bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, was laid on the table.

Public park in Boston.

The report of the joint special committee on the condition of the public business, was accepted, and the order accompanying, adopted.

Legislative business.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report on the order in relation to the amount of travel over Charles River and Fort Point Channel, was accepted.

Charles River and Fort Point Channel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to lay out a public street across South Bay, was accepted in concurrence.

Boston.

The bill to authorize the school committees in cities to appoint superintendents of schools, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

Supt. of public schools.

An engrossed bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay to Charles Burrill the sum of 40,000 dollars (which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Charles Burrill.

On motion of Mr. Goodman,—

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors inquire into the expediency of compelling all vessels not propelled by steam, passing through the draws of Charles River and Fort Point Channel bridges, to employ steam tugs for that purpose.

Charles River and Fort Point Channel.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

B. H. and B.
R. R. Co.

Mr. Wakofield, from the joint special committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to certain decrees of the supreme judicial court concerning said company, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the report of the joint commission, in relation to the terminal facilities of certain railroads on the north side of the city of Boston, reported that the order should be adopted, and these reports were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Ib.

Mr. Wakefield, from the joint special committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on the order relative to enforcing the bond of John S. Eldridge and certain others to the Commonwealth, reported

A resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth, and the resolve was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Useful fishes.

A report of the committee on the Fisheries, on the order in relation to the expediency of amending section 31 of chapter 384 of the Acts of 1869, relative to the catching of smelts and white perch, that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Henry Mayo
and Co.

A petition of Henry Mayo and Company, for authority to extend their wharf in East Boston, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors.

Young Men's
Christian
Association
of Gardner.

A bill to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Gardner, came from the House referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Education, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the bill and petition were returned to the House.

G. A.
Churchill et
als.

A petition of G. A. Churchill and others, that the Adjutant-General may be authorized to issue a supplement to the "Record of Volunteers," containing the names of those who served in the navy; and

A petition of Lemuel Pope and others, that the Adjutant-General may be authorized to issue diplomas to persons who have served in the navy, were severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Lemuel Pope et als.

A petition of the school committee of the town of Gay Head, for an appropriation in aid of the schools of said town, was referred to the committee on Education. Gay Head.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

To provide for a railroad police, and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations ;

To authorize William B. Belcher to construct a wharf in Winthrop ;

To authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats ; and

The resolve directing the Adjutant-General to obtain certain evidences of the service of Massachusetts men during the war of 1812, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Soldiers of the war of 1812.

The resolve relating to the claims of the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire for extra service, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit :— County of Berkshire.

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates, Greeley, Sproat, Whiting,	Collins, Kimball, Stickney, Willcomb.—11.	Crosby, Safford, Tenney,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Caswell, Hawes, Park, Stearns, Whitney,	Bird, Clark, J. W., Long, Rhodes, Thayer, A., Wood.—17.	Boardman, Fletcher, Packard, Richardson, Wakefield,
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So the resolve was refused a third reading.

The Senate bill to authorize the school committees in cities to appoint superintendents of schools, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Supt. of public schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill authorizing the Middlesex North Agricultural Society to take land, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Middlesex North Agricultural Society.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mt. Tom and
Easthampton
R. R.
Co.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Judge of
probate.

The Senate bill to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Jamaica Plain Land Improvement Company;

To authorize the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company to extend its tracks in Fitchburg;

To authorize the town of Marblehead to settle with the legal representatives of Jonathan M. Crane;

To authorize the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester to sell land, and for other purposes;

To authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land, and for other purposes; and

Resolves.

The House resolves,

In favor of the guardian of Chester B. Roberts;

In favor of James Sweeney, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Sheffield and
New Marl-
borough.

The House bill to annex a portion of the town of Sheffield to the town of New Marlborough, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment heretofore adopted, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

State police.

The report of the committee on the State Police, concerning the refusal of a certain witness summoned before them, to testify, was passed over.

S. S. Baxter
et als.

The Senate report on the petition of S. S. Baxter and others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

East Boston
ferry-boats.

Mr. Howe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A. K. Tilden
et als.

The report on the petition of A. K. Tilden and others, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Bills en-
acted, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to extend its railroad.

To establish the city of Somerville.

To incorporate the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Cambridge.

Concerning juvenile offenders in the city of Lynn.

An engrossed resolve in favor of the town of Westport, for aid furnished Amelia P. Lewis, passed, and was laid before the Governor for his approval. Resolve passed, and to Governor.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 14, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of Albert Mason and others, reported Plymouth and Sandwich B. R. Co.

A bill to incorporate the Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Southwick, reported Southwick.

A bill to legalize the acts and doings of the annual town meeting of the town of Southwick.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the petition of E. E. Towne and others, reported

A bill to legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in the town of Monson, April 3, 1871. Monson.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill to incorporate the Worcester Real Estate and Building Association, reported the same in a new draft; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Worcester Real Estate and Building Association.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making appropriations from the moiety of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund applicable to educational purposes, reported that the same ought to pass with certain amendments. Appropriations.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to extend the time for assessing betterments on estates on Fort Hill in the city of Boston; and Boston.

Mr. Richardson, from the same committee, on the House bill to amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston; and Sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston.

Streets and
highways.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the House bill in addition to an act concerning streets and highways, severally reported that the same ought to pass; and these bills were severally ordered to a second reading.

Thomas C.
Chick.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Thomas C. Chick, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Lynn.

Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill for supplying the city of Lynn with pure water, the same having been returned from the House, non-concurred in the amendment proposed by the Senate therein, reported, recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment, and the report was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Papers from the House.

Resolves.

Resolves,

In relation to the Antietam National Cemetery (on the communication from the Trustees of the same);

For the payment of certain sums due for books furnished to the State prison (on the petitions of Henry A. Loring and Company, Andrew F. Graves and the Baptist Publication Society);

In favor of Matilda French (on the petition of the same);

In aid of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (on the petition of the managers of the same);

In favor of Harriet N. Lee (on the petition of the same); were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Worcester.

A bill to authorize the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Worcester to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Insurance.

Berkshire County.

Mr. Rhodes moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the resolve relating to the claims of the county commissioners of Berkshire County for extra services was refused a third reading, and the motion being considered, was laid on the table.

Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, Mr. Wakefield moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the resolve was ordered to a third reading,

and the motion being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing certain extra copies of the report in relation to the terminal facilities of certain railroads in Boston, was accepted, and the order was adopted.

Railroads,
terminal fa-
cilities of,
in Boston.

The report on the message from the Governor, transmitting certain decrees of the supreme judicial court in relation to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, was accepted.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie Rail-
road Com-
pany.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House report on the order relative to a change of the laws concerning the taking of smelts or perch, was accepted in concurrence.

Useful fishes.

The Senate bill to provide for a railroad police, and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed.

Railroad po-
lice.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to authorize William B. Belcher to construct a wharf in Winthrop; and

William B.
Belcher.

The House resolve directing the Adjutant-General to obtain certain evidences of the service of Massachusetts men during the war of 1812, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Soldiers of
the war of
1812.

The report of the committee on the State Police, respecting the refusal of a witness to testify before said committee, was accepted.

State police.

Thereupon the President issued his warrant, as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

STATE HOUSE, SENATE CHAMBER, }
BOSTON, April 14, 1871. }

To HON. JOHN MORISSEY, *Sergeant-at-Arms*:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Michael Carney of Boston, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to testify before the joint special committee appointed to inquire if the State police is guilty of bribery and corruption, in pursuance of the authority conferred by the Legislature upon said committee.

Michael Car-
ney, warrant
for arrest of.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Senate, at Boston, this fourteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

HORACE H. COOLIDGE,
President of the Senate.

Attest: S. N. GIFFORD, *Clerk.*

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Adjourn-
ment.

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet on Monday, April 17, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor.

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate.

To reduce the capital stock of the East Boston Dry Dock Company.

In addition to an act to authorize the city of Boston to build an additional reservoir.

To incorporate the Bristol Masonic Building Association in Attleborough.

To incorporate the Holden Savings Bank.

To protect the alewife fishery in Sandwich.

Concerning the purchase of water rights by the city of Salem.

Fixing the compensation of the members of the Legislature.

Resolve
passed, and
to Governor.

An engrossed resolve allowing the towns of Pittsfield, Hancock and Tyngham certain sums due as corporation taxes (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Public park
in Boston.

The bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, was taken from the table and amended.

Mr. Stearns offered an amendment, striking out the words, "a majority," in section 19, and inserting in place thereof the word, "two-thirds," which was rejected.

Subsequently, Mr. Stearns moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment was rejected, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Mr. Rhodes proposed an amendment, striking out sections 10, 11, 12 and 13, pending the consideration of which the Senate

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Friday was read.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of John D. White, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. John D. White.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on the State Police, on the petition of J. C. Lovejoy and others, reported that in the prosecution of their inquiries, they summoned one Henry Emery to appear before them, that said Emery appeared, that the usual oath was administered to him, and that the following questions were put to him :— Henry Emery.

“ Whether since the appointment of the State constabulary force, you have ever been prosecuted for the sale or keeping for sale, intoxicating liquors ”; and “ Have you ever paid any money to any State constable, and do you know of any corrupt practice or improper conduct of the State police? If so, state fully what sums and to whom you have paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt or improper conduct ;” whereupon said Emery declined and refused to answer either of said questions, on the grounds that the answers would criminate himself and tend to furnish evidence against himself, and denied the right of the Legislature to require him to testify.

The committee therefore ask for the adoption of the accompanying order :—

Ordered, That the President of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms, commanding him to arrest Henry Emery of Lowell, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to answer the questions of the joint special committee on the State Police. And the report being considered was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

Thereupon the President issued his warrant, as follows :—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

STATE HOUSE, SENATE CHAMBER, }
BOSTON, April 17, 1871. }

To Hon. JOHN MORISSEY, *Sergeant-at-Arms*:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Henry Emery of Lowell, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to testify before the joint special committee appointed Henry Emery, warrant for arrest of.

to inquire if the State police is guilty of bribery and corruption, in pursuance of the authority conferred by the Legislature upon said committee.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Senate, this seventeenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

HORACE H. COOLIDGE,
President of the Senate.

Attest : S. N. GIFFORD, *Clerk.*

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Rogues and
vagabonds.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 28 chapter 165 of the General Statutes, in relation to rogues and vagabonds.

County of
Norfolk.

Mr. Monroe presented a petition of the Assistant-Register of Probate for the county of Norfolk, for an increase of salary.

Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

A. Watson.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of A. Watson of Washington, D. C., that the Secretary of War may be requested to order a system of storm signals to be tested for the protection of shipping and the saving of life and property.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Washingtonian Inebriate Reform Association.

Mr. Hawes presented a petition of the President of the Washingtonian Inebriate Reform Association asking for aid from the Commonwealth ; which was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

District
Courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.

The Senate bill to amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the district court of Southern Berkshire, came up concurred, with certain amendments, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed as amended.

Bills.

Bills,

To incorporate the Stockbridge Savings Bank (on the petition of Marshall Warner and others);

To authorize the selectmen of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead (a substitute for the resolve in relation to the subject);

To authorize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York to hold real estate in this Commonwealth (in a new draft);

To revive the charter of the Roxbury Branch Railroad Company ;

To extend the time for locating and constructing the Salisbury Railroad (on the petition of the Company), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

To provide for the acquisition of title by the United States, of lands for light-house purposes, and to cede jurisdiction thereof ;

Allowing a change of venue in capital cases, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves,

Resolves.

In favor of the Washingtonian Home (on the petition of the same) ;

In favor of James Thompson (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A report of the committee on Railways, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of William R. Hayden and others ; and

William R.
Hayden et
als.

A report of the same committee, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order in relation to a change of sign-boards at crossings at grade, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroads.

A bill to authorize the Builders' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Boston to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Insurance.

Builders'
Mutual Fire
Insurance
Co. of Boston.

A petition of Laura Shaw and others, for the enfranchisement of women, was referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Laura Shaw
et als.

A petition of A. G. Hart and others, for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work, was referred to the joint special committee on Labor.

A. G. Hart
et als.

A petition of Ira F. Lowell and others, for the enfranchisement of women, was referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Ira F. Lowell
et als.

A petition of George M. Morse and others, for the establishment of a normal school in the northern part of Worcester County, was referred to the committee on Education.

George M.
Morse et als.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of Friday, viz.: Bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, and the same was passed over.

Public park
in Boston.

Bills.

The bills,
To incorporate the Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company;

To incorporate the Worcester Real Estate and Building Association;

To legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in Monson, April 8, 1871;

To legalize the acts and doings of the annual town meeting of the town of Southwick;

To extend the time for assessing betterments on estates on Fort Hill in Boston;

To amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston;

In addition to an act concerning streets and highways, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Appropriations.

The bill making appropriations from the moiety of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund applicable to educational purposes, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and ordered to a third reading.

Lynn.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the amendment proposed by the Senate to the bill to supply the city of Lynn with pure water, was accepted, and the Senate receded from its amendment.

Thomas C. Chick.

The report on the petition of Thomas C. Chick, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Normal school boarding-houses.

An engrossed resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater (which originated in the Senate), passed, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Worcester.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the bill concerning notices of non-acceptance or non-payment of negotiable instruments in the city of Worcester, reported the same in a new draft, and it was ordered to a second reading.

The same senator gave notice of certain amendments to said bill, which were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in aid of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary; and

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the resolves, In favor of Matilda French;

In favor of Harriet N. Lee, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, reported the bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Savings Bank without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of James M. Day, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Insurance, on the bill to incorporate the Cathedral Fire Insurance Company, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the next General Court; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Sergeant-at-Arms came in and presented to the President of the Senate the warrant issued by him, in accordance with the order adopted on the 14th instant, for the arrest of Michael Carney, with the following endorsement thereon:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, April 18, 1871.

By virtue of the within named warrant, I have taken the body of the within named Michael Carney, and now have him in my custody before the Senate.

Thereupon,

Mr. Fox offered the following order which was adopted:—

Whereas Michael Carney having purged himself of his contempt by appearing before the joint special committee on the State Police before his arrest, and satisfactorily answered the questions propounded to him by said committee,

Therefore,

Ordered, That said Michael Carney be discharged from arrest.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf on their flats, between L Street and O Street, South Boston, and the same was read

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Matilda French.
Harriet N. Lee.

Ashburnham Savings Bank.

James M. Day.

Cathedral Fire Insurance Company.

Michael Carney, return on warrant for arrest of.

Boston.

and referred to the committee on Harbors, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Rowe's
Wharf.

Mr. Boardman presented a petition of the Proprietors of Rowe's Wharf for authority to occupy their docks, and for other purposes.

Referred to the committee on Harbors.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Middlesex
County, jail
at Cam-
bridge In.

Mr. Thayer, of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, on the bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a new jail at Cambridge in said county (from the files of last year), reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Washing-
tonian Home.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in favor of the Washingtonian Home; and

James
Thompson.

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the resolve in favor of James Thompson; and

State prison.

Mr. Whitney, from the same committee, on the resolve for the payment of certain sums due for books furnished to the State prison, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Boston
Water
Power Com-
pany.

A bill to authorize the Boston Water Power Company to hold additional real estate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie Railroad
Company.

A report of the joint special committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad, on the order in relation to the expediency of the Commonwealth appearing as a holder of "Berdell bonds," in any proceedings in bankruptcy relating to said corporation, the same being, that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Petitions of

Normal
school in
Worcester.

Thomas H. Goodspeed and others; and

Charles T. Rockwood and others, severally for the establishment of a normal school in the northern part of Worcester County, were referred to the committee on Education.

Maple Street
Methodist;
Episcopal So-
ciety.

A petition of the Trustees of the Maple Street Methodist Episcopal Society, for authority to mortgage their meeting-house, was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Labor.

A petition of John Mead and others, that ten hours' labor may constitute a day's work, was referred to the committee on Labor.

A resolve in relation to half-time schools, was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Half-time schools.

Severally in concurrence.

A communication was received from the House, announcing that the Senate bill to fix the salary of the district-attorney of the north-western district, had been rejected by that branch.

District-attorney of north-western district.

Mr. Fox, from the joint special committee on the State Police, on the petition of J. C. Lovejoy and others, reported that in the prosecution of their inquiries, they summoned one Benjamin F. Goddard of Lowell to appear before them, that said Goddard appeared, that the usual oath was administered to him, and that the following question was put to him :—

Benjamin F. Goddard, Report of the committee on State Police, relative to.

“Have you ever collected any money from any liquor dealer and given the same to any State constable now on the force? if so, state the amount and the person or persons from whom you received said money.”

Whereupon, said Goddard refused to answer said question—on the ground that the answer would tend to criminate himself and would tend to furnish evidence against himself, and denied the right of the Legislature to require him to testify.

The committee therefore ask for the adoption of the accompanying order :—

Ordered, That the President of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms commanding him to arrest Benjamin F. Goddard of Lowell, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to answer the questions of the joint special committee on the State Police, appointed to inquire if said State police is guilty of bribery and corruption.

And said report was accepted, and the order accordingly adopted.

The same senator, from the same committee, in the consideration of the same petition, submitted a further report that

In the prosecution of their inquiries they summoned one Ezekiel Johnson of Boston to appear before them, that said Johnson appeared, that the usual oath was administered to him, and that the following question was put to him :—

Ezekiel Johnson, Report of the committee on State Police, relative to.

“Have you ever made payment of money to Deputy Constable Allen, or any other officer of the State police?”

Whereupon, said Johnson refused to answer said question, and denied the right of the Legislature to require him to testify.

The committee therefore ask for the adoption of the accompanying order :—

Ordered, That the President of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms, commanding him to arrest Ezekiel Johnson of Boston, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to answer the question of the joint special committee on the State Police, appointed to inquire if said State police is guilty of bribery and corruption.

And the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Henry Mayo.

On motion of Mr. Fox, the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule to admit the petition of Henry Mayo, was reconsidered under a suspension of the rule relative to reconsideration, and said 17th joint rule being suspended, the petition was referred in concurrence to the committee on Harbors.

Ware.

The report on the petition of the town of Ware, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

County of Berkshire.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the resolve relating to the claims of the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire for extra services was refused a third reading, was taken from the table, carried in the affirmative, and the bill was thereupon ordered to a third reading.

East Boston ferry-boats.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats was ordered to a third reading, was considered, and carried in the affirmative, and the bill was thereupon read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills.

The bills,

To incorporate the Stockbridge Savings Bank ;

To authorize the selectmen of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead ;

To authorize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York to hold real estate in this Commonwealth ;

To revive the charter of the Roxbury Branch Railroad Company ;

To extend the time for locating and constructing the Salisbury Railroad, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company, was read a second time. Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company.

Mr. Bates proposed an amendment to the same, pending the consideration of which the bill was passed over.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Worcester Real Estate and Building Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Worcester Real Estate and Building Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in Monson, April 3, 1871, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Monson.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to legalize the acts and doings of the annual town meeting of the town of Southwick, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Southwick.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills, Bills.

To extend the time for assessing betterments on estates on Fort Hill in Boston ;

To amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston ;

In addition to an act concerning streets and highways, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill making appropriations from the moiety of the income of the school fund applicable to educational purposes, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Appropriations.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report on the petition of John D. White, was accepted. John D. White.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports on the petitions of William R. Hayden and others ; and William R. Hayden et al.

On the order in relation to changing the sign-boards over highways at crossings at grade over railroads, were severally accepted in concurrence. Railroads.

The bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, was further considered, and the amend- Public park in Boston.

ment proposed by Mr. Rhodes was rejected, and the Senate refused to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Stearns was rejected.

The bill was then further amended and ordered to a third reading.

Bills enacted,
and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the Public Library Association of Easthampton to maintain a museum.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Merrimack River.

To fix the salaries of the assistant-clerk of the supreme judicial court and of the assistant-clerk of the civil session of the superior court in the county of Suffolk.

To incorporate the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society.

To incorporate the Templeton Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Amesbury Savings Bank.

To authorize the town of Marblehead to settle with the legal representatives of Jonathan M. Crane.

To authorize the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company to extend its tracks in Fitchburg.

To define the boundary line between the towns of Norfolk and Wrentham.

In relation to the rights of a widow in the estate of her deceased husband.

Dukes
County
Academy.

An engrossed resolve in aid of Dukes County Academy (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Normal
school
boarding-
houses.

An engrossed resolve relating to the normal school boarding-houses at Framingham and Bridgewater, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

North
Bridgewater.

An engrossed bill to change the name of the town of North Bridgewater (which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted.

Benjamin F.
Goddard,
warrant for
arrest of.

In pursuance to the order of the Senate, the President issued the following warrant, to wit:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

STATE HOUSE, SENATE CHAMBER, }
BOSTON, April 18, 1871. }

To Hon. JOHN MORISSEY, *Sergeant-at-Arms*:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Benjamin F. Goddard of Lowell, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to testify before the joint special com-

mittee appointed to inquire if the State police is guilty of bribery and corruption, in pursuance of the authority conferred by the Legislature upon said committee.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Senate, at Boston, this eighteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

HORACE H. COOLIDGE,
President of the Senate.

Attest: S. N. GIFFORD, *Clerk.*

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 19, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in relation to the Antietam National Cemetery, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading. Antietam National Cemetery.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Thomas Hollis and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Thomas Hollis et als.

Mr. Stearns presented a petition of W. S. Shurtleff, for payment for services as judge of probate in Franklin County. W. S. Shurtleff.

Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Mr. Goodman presented a petition of John Carroll and others, for an act of incorporation as the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company. John Carroll et als.

Referred to the committee on Railways, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Boardman, the vote whereby the Senate refused to admit the petition of the Boston Belting Company, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, and the 17th joint rule being then suspended, the petition was referred in concurrence to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Boston Belting Company.

*Papers from the House.***Bills.**

Bills,

To extend the charter of the People's Fire Insurance Company of Worcester (in a new draft);

To authorize the Pigeon Hill Granite Company of Rockport to construct a wharf and breakwater (on the petition of the same);

To authorize the construction of railroad tracks for private use in the transportation of freight (on the petition of Richard Ball and others, and the Franconia Iron and Steel Company, and the bill to incorporate the Heywood Branch Railroad Company);

To incorporate the Brighton Branch Railroad Company (on the petition of George A. Wilson and others); and

Machinery.

A resolve in relation to accidents caused by unguarded machinery (on the order in relation to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Petitions of

William S.
Douglas et
als.

William S. Douglas and others; and

E. C. Ewing and others, severally in aid of that of Ezekiel Blake and others, were referred to the committee on Railways in concurrence.

Worcester
and Shrews-
bury Street
Railway
Company.

Mr. Willcomb, from the committee on Horse Railways, on the bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester and Shrewsbury Street Railway Company, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad
Company.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company, reported thereon, *in part*,

A bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company to extend its road, to extend the time for locating and constructing its road, and to change the name of the corporation, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Blackstone
Athenæum.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the bill to change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To incorporate the Ashburnham Savings Bank;

To authorize the Boston Water Power Company to hold additional real estate; and

Resolves.

The resolves,

In favor of Matilda French;

In favor of Harriet N. Lee ;

In favor of James Thompson ;

In favor of the Washingtonian Home ;

For the payment of certain sums due for books furnished to the State Prison ;

In aid of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a new jail at Cambridge in said county, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading. Middlesex County, jail at Cambridge in.

The bill concerning notices of non-acceptance or non-payment of negotiable instruments in the city of Worcester, was read a second time, amended as proposed by Mr. Crosby, and ordered to a third reading. Worcester.

The report of the committee on the State Police, in relation to the arrest of Ezekiel Johnson, was passed over. Ezekiel Johnson.

The report of the committee on Insurance, on the bill to incorporate the Cathedral Fire Insurance Company ; and Cathedral Fire Insurance Company.

The report of the committee on Claims, on the petition of James M. Day, were accepted. James M. Day.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report on the order relative to authorizing the Commonwealth to be represented as a holder of "Berdell bonds," in any proceedings in bankruptcy relating to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Corporation, was passed over. Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

The House bills, Bills.

To incorporate the Stockbridge Savings Bank ;

To authorize the selectmen of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead ;

To authorize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York to hold real estate in this Commonwealth ;

To revive the charter of the Roxbury Branch Railroad Company ;

To extend the time for locating and constructing the Salisbury Railroad, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston, was read a third time. Public park in Boston.

Mr. Hawes moved to strike from the 19th section, the words "a majority," and insert instead thereof, the word "two-thirds," and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Bartholomew,	Bird,	Boardman,
	Bradley,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
	Collins,	Hawes,	Long,
	Packard,	Park,	Pierce,
	Rhodes,	Stearns,	Tenney,
	Thayer, A.—16.		
NAYS.—Messrs.	Atwood,	Crosby,	Fletcher,
	Fox,	Frost,	Goodman,
	Greeley,	Howe,	Monroe,
	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,	Whiting,
	Willcomb.—18.		

So the amendment was adopted.

The bill was further amended, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Atwood,	Bates,	Boardman,
	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Collins,
	Crosby,	Fletcher,	Fox,
	Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
	Hawes,	Howe,	Long,
	Monroe,	Packard,	Park,
	Pierce,	Stickney,	Thayer, A.,
	Thayer, S.,	Whiting,	Willcomb,
	Wood.—25.		
NAYS.—Messrs.	Bird,	Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,
	Rhodes,	Stearns,	Tenney.—6.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Plymouth
and Sand-
wich Rail-
road Com-
pany.

The bill to incorporate the Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company, was further considered, and the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Bates adopted, and the question then recurring on ordering the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Bates,	Bird,	Boardman,
	Caswell,	Fletcher,	Frost,
	Goodman,	Packard,	Park,
	Pierce,	Stearns,	Thayer, A.,
	Thayer, S.,	Whiting,	Whitney,
	Willcomb.—16.		
NAYS.—Messrs.	Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bradley,
	Crosby,	Long,	Monroe,
	Stickney.—7.		

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Berkshire
County,
county com-

The House resolve relating to the claims of the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire, for extra services,

was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. missioners of.

The report on the petition of the town of Ware, was further considered, and the resolve in aid of said town proposed as a substitute therefor, rejected, and the report was accepted. Ware.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others was ordered to a third reading, was taken from the table and carried in the affirmative. The resolve was then recommitted to the joint special committee having charge of the subject. Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted, and to Governor.

To authorize David Crowell to extend his wharf in Beverly Harbor.

To supply the town of Everett with pure water.

To incorporate the town of Maynard.

To incorporate the Jamaica Plain Land Improvement Company.

To authorize the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester to sell land, and for other purposes.

To authorize William B. Belcher to construct a wharf in Winthrop.

To authorize Trinity Church in Boston to sell land, and for other purposes.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:— Resolves passed, and to Governor.

In favor of James Sweeney.

In favor of the guardian of Chester B. Roberts.

Directing the Adjutant-General to obtain certain evidence of the service of Massachusetts men during the war of 1812.

Mr. Monroe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill for the laying out of one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston passed to be engrossed, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Public park in Boston.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Common-
wealth Sav-
ings Bank.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of George F. Williams and others, reported A bill to incorporate the Commonwealth Savings Bank ; and

Young Peo-
ple's Savings
Bank.

On the petition of William H. Baldwin and others, A bill to incorporate the Young People's Savings Bank.

Falmouth
Heights
Land and
Wharf Com-
pany.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of E. Jones Estabrook and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Falmouth Heights Land and Wharf Company, and for other purposes.

Amherst
College,
trustees of.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on the bill in relation to the election of trustees of Amherst College, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of " Bill to provide for the election of Trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof."

Juvenile of-
fenders.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the State Board of Charities, reported

A bill to amend an act relating to the state visiting agency and juvenile offenders.

Saint Paul's
Methodist
Episcopal
Church of
Lynn.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of the Trustees of the Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church of Lynn, reported a resolve on the petition of said trustees ; and these bills and resolve were read and ordered to a second reading.

Protection to
life and prop-
erty in the
United
States.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the resolution asking Congress for protection to life, liberty and property in all parts of the United States, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the resolution was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on the question of rejection.

Massachu-
setts Society
for the Pre-
vention of
Cruelty to
Animals.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Annual re-
ports of cer-
tain State
Institutions,
and of the
guardians of
the Natick,
Christian-

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred the annual reports of the guardians of the Natick, Christiantown and Chappequidic tribes of Indians ; the Board of State Charities in relation to the Dudley and Troy Indians, and the treasurers of the

district of Marshpee and Herring Pond Plantation; of the Inspectors of the State almshouse at Bridgewater, Tewksbury and Monson; of the Trustees of the Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble-Minded Youth; the State Lunatic Hospitals at Northampton, Worcester and Taunton; the State Industrial School for Girls; the Massachusetts Nautical School and the State Reform School for boys, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon, and the report was accepted.

town and
Chappequid-
die tribes of
Indians, etc.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill in relation to the Arlington Lake Water Company, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Arlington
Lake Water
Company.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the petition of the assistant-register of probate for Norfolk County, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Assistant
register of
probate for
Norfolk
County.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the petition of W. S. Shurtleff, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Claims; and the reports were accepted.

W. S. Shurt-
leff.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Long offered the following order:—

Whereas a disagreement exists as to the true line or lines between the land and the flats of the State adjoining the State prison at Charlestown, and the lands and flats of adjoining proprietors; therefore,

Land and
flats of the
State adjoining
the State
prison.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing the Governor, with the consent of the council, to agree with such proprietors in the selection of a commissioner or commissioners to ascertain and determine such true line or lines, such determination to be final and conclusive upon the State and all persons parties thereto.

And the order was laid on the table.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Railway Company (on the petition of George C. Winchester and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Ashburn-
ham Railway
Company.

**Boston Corn
Exchange.**

A bill to change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Sturbridge
and South-
bridge-**

A petition of the towns of Sturbridge and Southbridge, for the establishment of the boundary line between said towns, was referred to the committee on Towns in concurrence.

**Public park
in Boston.**

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill for laying out one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston passed to be engrossed, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs.	Atwood,	Bates,	Crosby,
	Fletcher,	Fox,	Frost,
	Goodman,	Greeley,	Howe,
	Monroe,	Pierce,	Safford,
	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
	Whitney,	Willcomb,	Wood.—18.
NAYS —Messrs.	Bird,	Boardman,	Bradley,
	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
	Collins,	Elliot,	Hawes,
	Long,	Packard,	Park,
	Rhodes,	Richardson,	Stearns,
	Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.—18

The President voting in the affirmative, the vote was reconsidered.

1b.

Thereupon, Mr. Monroe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the words “a majority,” were stricken from the bill in the 19th section, and the word “two-thirds” inserted instead thereof, and the question on this motion was taken, and it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs.	Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
	Crosby,	Fletcher,	Fox,
	Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
	Howe,	Monroe,	Safford,
	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
	Whitney,	Willcomb,	Wood.—18.
NAYS —Messrs.	Bird,	Boardman,	Bradley,
	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
	Collins,	Elliot,	Hawes,
	Long,	Packard,	Park,
	Rhodes,	Richardson,	Stearns,
	Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.—18.

1b.

The President voting in the affirmative, the vote was reconsidered, and the question then recurring on the adoption of said amendment it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird, Boardman, Caswell,
 Clark, J. W., Collins, Elliot,
 Hawes, Long, Packard,
 Park, Rhodes, Richardson,
 Stearns, Stickney, Tenney,
 Thayer, A.—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Bartholomew, Bates,
 Crosby, Fletcher, Fox,
 Frost, Goodman, Greeley,
 Howe, Monroe, Safford,
 Thayer, S., Wakefield, Whiting,
 Whitney, Willcomb, Wood.—18.

So the amendment was rejected, and the bill was further amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills,

Bills.

To change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum ;

To incorporate the Brighton Branch Railroad Company ;

To authorize the construction of railroad tracks for private use in the transportation of freight ;

To authorize the Pigeon Hill Granite Company of Rockport to construct a wharf and breakwater ;

To extend the charter of the People's Fire Insurance Company of Worcester, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Savings Bank, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Ashburnham Savings Bank.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill concerning notices of non-acceptance or non-payment of negotiable instruments in the city of Worcester, was read a third time, amended in the title by striking therefrom the words, "in the city of Worcester," and passed to be engrossed.

Worcester, negotiable instruments in.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a new jail at Cambridge in said county, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Middlesex County, jail at Cambridge in.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to authorize the Boston Water Power Company to hold additional real estate ; and

Boston Water Power Company. Resolves.

The House resolves,

In favor of Matilda French ;

In favor of Harriet N. Lee ;

In favor of the Washingtonian Home ;

In favor of James Thompson ;

For the payment of certain sums due for books furnished the State prison ;

In aid of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ezekiel
Johnson.

The report of the joint special committee on the State Police, in relation to the arrest of Ezekiel Johnson, was laid on the table.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie Rail-
road Com-
pany.

The House report on the order relative to providing that the Commonwealth shall be represented as a holder of Berdell bonds, so called, in any proceeding in bankruptcy relating to the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Corporation, was accepted in concurrence.

Thomas Hol-
lis.

The Senate report on the petition of Thomas Hollis and others, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad
Company.

The bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation to extend its railroad, to extend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation, was read a second time, but before any question was had thereon, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Charles and
Miller's
Rivers.

The report on the order relative to closing the navigation of Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to a certain class of vessels ; and

Security to
life and prop-
erty in the
United
States.

The resolution in relation to further legislation by Congress to secure life, liberty and property in the United States, were severally taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 21, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Green Har-
bor marsh.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of George M. Baker and others, reported

A bill for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, and the same was referred to the committee on Harbors.

Jail at Taun-
ton.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, on the order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill authorizing the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, Union Aqueduct Company. on the petition of Nathaniel Thayer and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, on Schools. the resolve in relation to half-time schools, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, Rufus Ellis et als. on the petition of Rufus Ellis and others, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

And said reports were accepted, and the resolve and petition were severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Monroe, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the German Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Society in the city of Boston, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. German Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Society.

Mr. Tenney presented a petition of Margaret B. Crane for Margaret B. Crane. State aid.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Elliot asked leave to introduce a bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Wakefield, Melrose and Malden Railroad, and the question on the motion being considered, was carried in the negative, so the Senate refused to grant leave. Wakefield, Melrose and Malden Railroad.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of William A. Remick, William A. Remick. for compensation for damages received as contractor to widen the draw of Charles River Bridge.

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the report of the commissioners on the Fisheries; and Commissioners on the Fisheries.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the order relative to further protection of property in the vicinity of military encampments; and Military encampments.

Mr. Bird, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on the orders,

- Constitution. In relation to the expediency of holding a constitutional convention ;
- Ib. In relation to changing the tenure of office of the Treasurer and Receiver-General ;
- Ib. In relation to the expediency of holding biennial sessions of the Legislature, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Holyoke. Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of the selectmen of Holyoke, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

- Amos W. Mooney. A bill to authorize Amos W. Mooney to extend his wharf in Newburyport (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.
- T. J. Burns. A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of T. J. Burns, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Harbor Commissioners. A report discharging the committee on Harbors from the further consideration of the order in relation to assigning rooms for the use of the Harbor Commissioners in the State House, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- District courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire. The Senate bill to amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire, and the act to establish the district court of Southern Berkshire, came up, and the House *insists* on its amendment, and Messrs. Brown of Adams, Train of Boston, and Dunham of Stockbridge are appointed a committee of conference on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses.
- Thereupon the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence, and Messrs. Thayer of Berkshire, Wakefield and Bartholomew were appointed a committee of conference on its part.
- Boston Corn Exchange. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.
- Dedham Gas Light Company. The same senator, on leave, introduced a bill to change the name of the Dedham Gas Light Company, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Came up concurred.

- Constitution. Mr. Goodman, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on the order in relation to amend-

ing the constitution so as to prohibit the Legislature from granting special acts in certain cases, or loans of the public funds or credit to private corporations ; and

Mr. Howe, from the same committee, on the order relative to amendment of the constitution so as to limit the tenure of office of police, municipal and district court judges ; and

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the commissioners on the establishment of an Inebriate Asylum, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ; and the reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To incorporate the Falmouth Heights Land and Wharf Company, and for other purposes ;

To provide for the election of certain trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof ;

To amend an act relating to the State Visiting Agency and juvenile offenders ; and

The resolves,

In relation to accidents caused by unguarded machinery ;

On the petition of the Trustees of the Saint Paul's Methodist Society in Lynn, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester and Shrewsbury Street Railway Company, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

The bills,

To incorporate the Commonwealth Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Young People's Savings Bank, were severally laid on the table.

The Senate bill relating to the Arlington Lake Water Company, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Brighton Branch Railroad Company ;

To authorize the construction of railroad tracks for private use in the transportation of freight ;

To authorize the Pigeon Hill Granite Company of Rockport to construct a wharf and breakwater ;

To extend the charter of the People's Fire Insurance Company ; and

Antietam
National
Cemetery.

The resolve in relation to the Antietam National Cemetery, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad
Company.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, viz. : Bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company to extend its railroad, to extend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation.

Mr. Bird moved that the same be recommitted to the committee on Railways, and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bird,
Elliot,	Frost,	Goodman,
Monroe,	Packard,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Safford,	Stickney,
Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Whitney.—16.		

NAYS—Messrs. Boardman,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Clark, J. W.,	Collins,	Fox,
Greeley,	Long,	Park,
Richardson,	Tenney,	Thayer, S.,
Willcomb.—13.		

So the bill was recommitted.

Vocal music.

The bill relating to instruction in vocal music, was taken from the table and rejected.

Lands adjoining
the state
prison

The order offered by Mr. Long relating to certain lands and flats adjoining the state prison, was taken from the table and adopted.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, April 22, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Barnstable.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the order in relation to amendment of the General Statutes, respecting the maintenance of High Schools, reported

A bill to exempt the town of Barnstable from maintaining a high school, and for other purposes, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Collins presented a petition of Josiah Dunham and others, for an act of incorporation as a gas company in South Boston. Josiah Dunham et als.

Referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook and its tributaries, was read and referred in concurrence to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Stony Brook.

Resolves,

Resolves.

In favor of Lydia P. Osborne (on the petition of the same) ;

In favor of Edward F. Campbell (on the petition of the same), were read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Ordered, In concurrence, that so much of the Auditor's report as relates to State aid, be referred to the committee on Claims, with instructions to consider whether any legislation is necessary thereon. State aid.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Railways, on the petition of the Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company ; Reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Sumner Richardson and others ;

Of the committee on Education, on the petitions of Jacob Sleeper and others and A. B. Ely ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing section 57 of chapter 58 of the General Statutes, relating to fire insurance companies, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

A petition of the school committee of the city of Boston for amendment of the charter of said city, relating to the powers of said committee, was referred to the committee on Education, in concurrence. School committee of Boston.

Notice was received from the Clerk of the House, that the Senate bills,

Concerning the sentence of criminals ;

To authorize school committees in towns to appoint superintendents of public schools, had been rejected by that branch. Sentence of criminals. Public schools.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to provide for the acquisition of title by the United Light-houses.

States, of lands for light-house purposes, and to cede jurisdiction thereof; and the bill allowing a change of venue in capital cases, reported that the same severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Charles and
Miller's
Rivers and
Fort Point
Channel.

On motion, it was ordered, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, that the committee on Harbors inquire and report what legislation, if any, is necessary for the relief of the traffic over the bridges across Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company;
To incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company;
Authorizing the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton;
To authorize Amos W. Mooney to extend his wharf in Newburyport, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Security to
life and prop-
erty in the
United
States.

The Senate resolutions in relation to further legislation to secure life, liberty and property in the United States; and

The House resolutions in relation to the same subject, were severally indefinitely postponed.

Charles and
Miller's
Rivers and
Fort Point
Channel.

The report in relation to closing Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to the passage of vessels of a certain class, was committed to the committee on Harbors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The Senate reports, on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; and

On the order relative to providing for greater security of property in the vicinity of military encampments;

On the report of the commissioners on Inland Fisheries; and

The report of the commissioners on the establishment of inebriate asylums; and

On the several orders respecting amendment of the constitution;

In relation to prohibiting special legislation in certain cases, and from granting the loan of public funds or credit to private corporations;

In relation of limiting the term of office of police, municipal and district court judges;

In relation to biennial sessions of the Legislature;

In relation to changing the tenure of office of members of the Legislature;

In relation to changing the tenure of office of the treasurer and receiver-general; and

On the order concerning the holding of a constitutional convention for the purpose of amending that instrument, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports, on the order relative to assignment of a committee room in the state house to the Harbor Commissioners; and

On the petition of T. J. Burns, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolve in relation to accidents caused by unguarded machinery, was laid on the table. Also,

The bill to provide for the election of certain trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof.

The Senate bill to amend an act relating to the State Visiting Agency and juvenile offenders, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resolve on the petition of the trustees of the Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Falmouth Heights Land and Wharf Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report on the petition of the selectmen of Holyoke, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To annex a part of the town of Natick to the town of Framingham.

To authorize the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth.

To authorize the Boston Water Power Company to hold additional real estate.

To supply the city of Lynn with pure water.

To extend the time for assessing betterments on estates on Fort Hill in Boston.

Making appropriations from the moiety of the income of the School Fund applicable to educational purposes.

In addition to an act concerning streets and highways.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

John A. Lowell et als. Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the petition of John A. Lowell and others, reported

A resolve on the petition of John A. Lowell and others, for confirmation of a deed and title under it.

Lenox. Mr. Sproat, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in relation to the county buildings in Lenox, Berkshire County, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of Bill to authorize the town of Lenox to take land with the buildings thereon for a town hall.

Night-walkers. Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending chapter 165, section 28 of the General Statutes, reported

A bill to provide for the punishment of common night-walkers; and these bills and the resolve were read and ordered to a second reading.

Mary Jane De Zea. The same senator, from the same committee, on the resolve authorizing Mary Jane De Zea to sell real estate, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Epizootic Aptha. Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the order in relation to the cattle disease, known as "Epizootic Aptha," submitted a report thereon, which was read and ordered to be printed.

Taunton Great River and Newmasket River. Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the bill concerning the fisheries in Taunton Great River and the Newmasket River, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Pharmacy. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommitted the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Sproat, on leave, introduced a bill to revive the Ware-
ham Bank of Wareham for certain purposes, and the same
was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint
rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Wareham
Bank.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the peti-
tion of A. Watson ; and

A. Watson.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on
the petition of N. B. Shurtleff, mayor of Boston, for author-
ity to take land for a public park, reported that the petition-
ers have leave to withdraw ; and these reports were read
and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston.

On motion of Mr. Boardman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider
the expediency of amending the law providing for the pun-
ishment of simple larceny committed in the city of Boston.

Larceny.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chan-
cery, reported the bill concerning suits against executors and
administrators without amendment, and the same was read
twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be en-
grossed.

Executors
and adminis-
trators, suits
against.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills,

Bills.

To establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners ;

To incorporate the Commonwealth Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Young People's Savings Bank, were
severally taken from the table and placed in the orders of
the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Forest River Railroad Company
(on the petition of Henry F. Pitman and others), was read
and ordered to a second reading.

Forest River
Railroad
Company.

Resolves,

Resolves.

In relation to certain county maps (on an order in rela-
tion to the subject);

For reimbursement for taxes paid by the New Bedford
Institution for Savings (on the petition of the same), were
severally read and referred to the committee on the Treas-
ury.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, grant-
ing leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathaniel Cogswell
and others ; and

Nathaniel
Cogswell et
als.

- State Almshouse at Tewksbury.** A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to purchasing land for additional pasturage at the state almshouse at Tewksbury, were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- State Police.** *Ordered,* In concurrence, that the joint special committee on the State Police have leave to sit during the sessions of the Legislature for the present week.
- East Cambridge Woman's Suffrage Association.** A petition of the East Cambridge Woman's Suffrage Association in aid of that of the Woman's Suffrage Association of Massachusetts, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.
- Light-houses.** The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to provide for the acquisition of title by the United States, of lands for light-house purposes, and to cede jurisdiction thereof; and
- Venue in capital cases.** The bill allowing a change of venue in capital cases, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- Barnstable.** The bill to exempt the town of Barnstable from maintaining a high school, and for other purposes, was read a second time and passed over.
- Jail at Taunton.** The Senate bill authorizing the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.
- Union Aqueduct Company.** The Senate bill to incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company, was read a third time.
- Amos W. Mooney.** Mr. Collins proposed certain amendments therein, when the whole subject was recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- Ashburnham Railroad Company.** The House bill to authorize Amos W. Mooney to extend his wharf in Newburyport, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.
- Reports.** The House bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.
- The House reports, on the order in relation to fire insurance companies; and
On the petitions of
Samuel Richardson and others;
The Grafton and Millbury Railroad Company;
Jacob Sleeper and others; and
A. B. Ely, were severally accepted in concurrence.
- Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Long, from the joint special committee on Labor, on the petition of Aurora H. C. Phelps and others, reported

Women's
Economical
Garden
Homestead
League.

A bill to incorporate the Women's Economical Garden Homestead League.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petitions of Josiah D. Canning and others, and J. Chenery and others, reported

Gill and
Montague.

A bill to enable the towns of Gill and Montague to subscribe to the capital stock of the Turner's Falls Bridge Company.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of the Proprietors of Rowe's Wharf, reported

Rowe's
Wharf.

A bill to authorize the Proprietors of Rowe's Wharf in Boston to extend the same.

Mr. Frost, from the same committee, on petition of Henry Mayo and Company, reported

Henry Mayo
and Com-
pany.

A bill to authorize Henry Mayo and Company to extend their wharf in East Boston.

Mr. Collins, from the same committee, on the bill to authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf in South Boston, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of

City of Bos-
ton, bill to
authorize, to
build a wharf
in South
Boston.

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf on their flats between M Street and O Street in South Boston.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amendment of the 404th chapter of the Acts of 1870, reported

Divorce.

A bill in relation to divorce.

Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the order relative to the subject, reported

Larceny.

A bill relating to the punishment of larceny; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill to amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook and its tributaries, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Stony Brook.

Mr. Rhodes, on leave, introduced resolves to provide certain towns with the law reports and special laws and standard weights and measures, and the same was read and, under

Providing
certain
towns with
law reports,
etc.

a suspension of the rule, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society.

Mr. Elliot, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of Francis A. Perry and others, reported

A bill to confirm and make valid certain acts of the Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolves

Edward F. Campbell et als.
Lydia P. Osborne.

In favor of Edward F. Campbell and others ;

In favor of Lydia P. Osborne, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill in relation to the Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company, and the same was read and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the suspension of said rule.

Came up concurred.

Fisheries.

Mr. Atwood, on leave, introduced a bill to amend section 29 of chapter 384 of the Acts of 1869, relating to the fisheries, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Appeals.

Mr. Boardman, on leave, introduced a bill concerning appeals in civil actions before municipal and police courts, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Quail.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of the selectmen of Nantucket, reported

A bill for the protection of quail on the island of Nantucket, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

South Bay.

A communication was received from the Harbor Commissioners, transmitting a supplementary report in relation to the navigation in South Bay, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mount Tom and East-hampton Railroad Company.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Mount Tom. and East-hampton Railroad Company, came up concurred, with certain amendments, and the same was laid on the table and the amendments ordered to be printed.

Harbor Commissioners.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the communication from the Treasurer, with statement of amounts

paid to the Harbor Commissioners for printing and engraving since 1866 ; and

On the communication from the Auditor, with statement of amounts paid by order of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for printing and engraving since 1861 ; and

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners.

On the communication from the same, with statement of amounts paid for services and expenses of the several committees on the improvement of flats ; and

Common-
wealth flats.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the order relative to requiring all vessels passing through the draws in the bridges over Charles River and Fort Point Channel to employ steam tugs ; and

Charles
River and
Fort Point
Channel.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the order relative to the purchase of copies of the " Guide to the Study of Insects " ; and

Guide to the
Study of In-
sects.

On the order relative to amendment of the act of last year to aid in the preservation of birds, birds' eggs and deer ; and in relation to the shooting of black duck, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Birds, birds'
eggs and
deer.
Black duck.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the petitions of

Petitions.

Samuel Ingalls and others ;

Jabez True and others ;

Marvin Chapin and others ; and

The Worcester County Horticultural Society ; and

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the petitions of Joseph T. Wood and others, and S. T. Nelson and others, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Joseph T.
Wood et als.
S. T. Nelson
et als.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill relating to the Williamsburg Reservoir Company, and the same was read and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Williams-
burg Reser-
voir Com-
pany.

Mr. Richardson, on leave, introduced a bill to amend chapter 65 of the Acts of 1850, concerning certain manufacturing corporations in the city of Lowell, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Lowell.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

To provide for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire and the better preserva-

tion of life and property in the city of Boston (in a new draft);

In addition to an act in relation to West Boston and Cragie Bridges (on the report of the Harbor Commissioners), were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Leominster.

A bill for supplying the town of Leominster with pure water was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills.

Bills,

To extend the time for the organization of the Marblehead and Lynn Railroad Company (on the petition of William B. Brown and others);

To authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to hire the road of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company (in a new draft);

To incorporate the Woronoco Savings Bank in Westfield (on the petition of Samuel Norton and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State map.

A report of the committee on Education, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to furnishing each city and town with a copy of the state map; and

Reports.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Claims, on the petitions of

Josiah M. Shaw and others;

Wells and Perry and J. D. Cameron and Company; and

The Dudley Indians; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the Washingtonian Inebriate Asylum, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Corporations.

A bill in relation to the returns of shareholders in corporations, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Dedham Gas Light Company.

The bill to change the name of the Dedham Gas Light Company, came up non-concurred in the suspension of the 17th joint rule, in the reference thereof, and the same was laid on the table.

Railroad Corporations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railways consider the expediency of amending or repealing the 4th section of the 325th chapter of the Acts of 1870, authorizing railroad corporations to guarantee the bonds of connecting railroad corporations.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To authorize the town of Lenox to take land with the buildings thereon for a town hall;

To provide for the punishment of common night-walkers ;
To incorporate the Forest River Railroad Company ; and
The resolves,

Resolves.

Authorizing Mary Jane De Zea to sell real estate ;

On the petition of John A. Lowell and others, for confirmation of a deed and title under it, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Young People's Savings Bank ;

To incorporate the Commonwealth Savings Bank, were severally ordered to a third reading.

The bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners ; and

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners

The bill to amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, were severally passed over.

Fisheries.

The House bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston, was amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and rejected.

Pharmacy.

Subsequently Mr. Park moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill was rejected, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House bills,

Bills.

To provide for the acquisition of title by the United States of lands for light-house purposes, and to cede jurisdiction thereof ;

Allowing a change of venue in capital cases, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to exempt the town of Barnstable from maintaining a high school, and for other purposes, was ordered to a third reading.

Barnstable,
high school
in.

The Senate report on the order relative to further legislation respecting the disease known as " Epizoötic Aptha " ; and

Epizoötic
Aptha.

The reports on the petitions of

Nathaniel B. Shurtleff in behalf of the city council of the city of Boston, in relation to the taking of land for a public park ; and

Boston.

A. Watson, were severally accepted.

A. Watson.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports, on the order relative to the purchase of additional land for the state almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

On the petition of Nathaniel Cogswell and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Nathaniel
Cogswell.

Ashburn-
ham Rail-
road Com-
pany.

Mr. Willcomb moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company passed to be engrossed, and the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the same senator proposed an amendment thereto, pending the consideration of which, the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Stockbridge Savings Bank.

To authorize the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York to hold real estate in this Commonwealth.

To authorize the selectmen of Attleborough to remove certain tombs and remains of the dead.

To authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats.

To revive the charter of the Roxbury Branch Railroad Company.

To extend the time for locating and constructing the Salisbury Railroad.

To amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relative to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston.

Resolves
passed, and
to Governor.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

In favor of the Washingtonian Home.

In favor of Harriet N. Lee.

In favor of Matilda French.

In favor of James Thompson.

Relating to the claims of the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire for extra services.

For the payment of certain sums due for books furnished the state prison.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 26, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Insane, dis-
charge of.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, to whom were referred the bill in relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane, reported thereon

A bill in relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill for the further preservation of deer.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Commissioner of Savings Banks, reported thereon in part,

Savings Banks, unclaimed dividends in.

A bill in relation to unclaimed dividends and deposits not bearing interest in savings banks.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the order in relation to further protection of fish in private ponds and streams, and on the order in relation to further legislation for the protection of trout, reported

Cultivation of useful fishes.

A bill in addition to an act authorizing the cultivation of useful fishes; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill for the improvement of Green Harbor Marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Marshfield, Green Harbor Marsh in.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill concerning appeals in civil actions; and

Appeals.

Mr. Wakefield, from the same committee, on the bill in relation to the Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company; and

Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company. Williamsburg Reservoir Company.

Mr. Clark of Franklin, from the committee on Manufactures, on the bill relating to the Williamsburg Reservoir Company, severally reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to establishing county or district courts, reported

County or district courts.

A bill to establish the first district court of Southern Worcester.

First District Court of Southern Worcester.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Thomas J. Tolman and others, reported

A bill to authorize the construction of dams across North River in Plymouth County; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

North River.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill for supplying the town of Leominster with pure water, reported the same in a new draft, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Leominster.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petitions of William A. Vandenhooft, Jr., and others, and S. W. Crosby and others; and

William A. Vandenhooft, Jr., and S. W. Crosby et al. S. D. Fuller et al.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of S. D. Fuller and others, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Surgeon-General.

Mr. Hawes, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the annual report of the Surgeon-General ; and

Record of Massachusetts Volunteers.

On the order in relation to printing an additional edition of the Record of Massachusetts Volunteers, from 1861 to 1865, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Hoosac Tunnel.

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to transmit for the information of the Legislature, copies of the reports of James Laurie, late consulting engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Plymouth County Railroad Company.

A bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company (on the petition of David Whiton and others), was read and ordered to a second reading and ordered to be printed.

Worcester, land damages in, assessment of.

A bill concerning the assessment of land damages in the city of Worcester, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Adoption of children.

A bill in relation to the adoption of children, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

David Pulsifer.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of David Pulsifer, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

A bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and the Senate refused to suspend said rule, and the bill was returned to the House.

Charles and Miller's Rivers, and Fort Point Channel.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate order relative to affording relief to the traffic over the bridges across Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel, had been rejected by that branch.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To enable the towns of Gill and Montague to subscribe to the capital stock of the Turner's Falls Bridge Company ;

To authorize Henry Mayo and Company to extend their wharf in East Boston ;

To authorize the Proprietors of Rowe's Wharf in Boston to extend the same ;

To authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf in South Boston ;

To confirm and make valid certain acts of the Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church ;

To amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook and its tributaries ;

Relating to the punishment of larceny ;

For the protection of quail on the island of Nantucket ;

To incorporate the Woronoco Savings Bank in Westfield ;

To authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to hire the road of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company ;

To extend the time for organizing the Marblehead and Lynn Railroad Company, and for locating its road ;

To provide for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston ;

In addition to an act relating to the West Boston and Cragie Bridges ; and

The resolves,

Resolves.

To provide certain towns with the law reports and general and special laws and standard weights and measures ;

In favor of Edward F. Campbell ;

In favor of Lydia P. Osborne, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Women's Economical Garden Homestead League, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

**Women's
Economical
Garden
Homestead
League.
Divorce.**

The bill in relation to divorce, was read a second time and assigned for further consideration on Tuesday next.

The Senate reports on the order relative to requiring all vessels passing through the draws on Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to employ steam tugs ; and

Reports.

On the communication from the Treasurer, with statement of amounts paid to the Harbor Commissioners for services and expenses since 1866 ; and

On the communication from the Auditor, with statement of amounts paid for services and expenses of committees on the improvement of the flats ; and

On a communication from the same, with statement of amounts paid for the Harbor and Land Commissioners, for printing and engraving of various kinds since 1861 ; and

On the order relative to the purchase of copies of the " Guide to the Study of Insects " ; and

On the order relative to the killing of black duck in the county of Barnstable ; and

On the petitions of
 The Worcester County Horticultural Society ;
 Marvin Chapin and others ;
 Jabez True and others ; and
 Samuel Ingalls and others, were severally accepted.
 Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The reports on the petitions of
 The Dudley Indians ; and
 Joseph T. Wood and others, in relation to the fisheries in
 Taunton Great River, were severally passed over.

The House reports, on the petitions of
 Josiah M. Shaw and others ;
 Wells and Perry and D. J. Cameron and Company ; and
 B. Bruce Dyer, in relation to the Washingtonian Inebriate
 Asylum ; and

On the order relative to furnishing cities and towns with
 a copy of the state map, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills.

The bills,
 To authorize the town of Lenox to take land, with the
 buildings thereon for a town hall ;
 To establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners,
 were severally passed over.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Commonwealth Savings
 Bank, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Young People's Savings
 Bank, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill for the punishment of common night-walk-
 ers, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Mary Jane
 De Zea.**

The Senate resolve authorizing Mary Jane De Zea to sell
 real estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**John A.
 Lowell et als.**

The Senate resolve on the petition of John A. Lowell and
 others for confirmation of a deed and title under it, was read
 a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to exempt the town of Barnstable from maintaining a high school, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Barnstable, high school in.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill to amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, was ordered to a third reading.

Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, fisheries in. Ashburnham Railroad Company.

The House bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company, was amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to incorporate the Forest River Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Forest River Railroad Company.

The Senate refused to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston was rejected.

Pharmacy in Boston.

The bill in relation to the inspection and testing of water-wheels, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Water-wheels.

The bill to change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange, was taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

Boston Corn Exchange.

The communication from the Harbor Commissioners relating to the improvement of the navigation in South Bay, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Harbors.

South Bay.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Wood, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the order relative to the subject, reported

Highway tax.

A bill to abolish the highway tax.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the towns of Southbridge and Sturbridge, reported

Southbridge and Sturbridge.

A bill to establish the boundary line between said towns.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the communication from the Board of State Charities, reported

Natick Indians.

A bill in relation to the fund for the benefit of the Natick Indians ; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Dean
Library As-
sociation.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the bill to authorize the Dean Library Association, in Medway, to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Massachu-
setts Medical
Benevolent
Society.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society, reported that the same ought to pass, the latter with an amendment ; and they were ordered to a second reading.

New Bedford
Institution
for Savings.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Resolve for reimbursement for certain taxes paid by the New Bedford Institution for Savings ; and

County
maps.

On the resolve in relation to certain county maps, reported that said resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Weymouth
Branch
Freight Rail-
road Com-
pany.

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of the Weymouth Freight Railroad Company, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

West Rox-
bury.

Mr. Monore, on leave, introduced a bill for supplying the town of West Roxbury with pure water ; and the same was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Grover and
Baker Sew-
ing Machine
Company.

Mr. Clark, of Franklin, on leave, introduced a bill concerning the Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company ; and the same was read, and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad
Company.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, presented certain resolutions of the city council of the city of Worcester, in relation to the passage of the bill concerning the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company ; and the same were read and referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

State prison
lands.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order of the 20th instant, in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to provide for establishing the boundary lines of the state prison lands, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester,
assessment
of land dam-
ages in.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill concerning the assessment of land damages in the city of Worcester, without amendment ; and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

A bill for changing the tenure of office for the State Board of Education (on the order in relation to the subject); and

State Board
of Educa-
tion.

Resolves,

Resolves.

Concerning the claims of the owners of lands on the north-eastern boundary of Maine (on the petition of William Ingalls and James A. Dow);

Relating to technical instruction in schools (on the order of February 10th, relative to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A report of the committee on Education, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to placing a copy of the lectures and reports of Horace Mann in the libraries of cities and towns in the state; and

Reports of
Horace
Mann.

A similar report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on the resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution to fix the compensation of the members of the Legislature; and

Constitu-
tion.

A report of the committee on the Fisheries, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cutler Laffin and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Cutler Laf-
fin.

The Senate bill to provide for a railroad police and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, came up concurred, with amendments in sections 4 and 5, which were adopted in concurrence; also with an amendment at the end of section 8, which was non-concurred, and the bill was returned to the House.

Railroad
police.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bills,

Bills reject-
ed by the
House.

Authorizing the Middlesex North Agricultural Society to take land;

Concerning the municipal court of the city of Worcester;

To legalize the acts and doings of the annual town meeting in the town of Southwick, had severally been rejected by that branch.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

In addition to an act authorizing the cultivation of useful fishes;

To authorize the construction of dams across North River in Plymouth County;

To establish the First District Court of Southern Worcester;

Concerning appeals in civil actions before municipal or police courts;

In relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane ;
For the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town
of Marshfield ;

For supplying the town of Leominster with pure water ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company,
were severally read a second time and ordered to a third
reading.

Water-
wheels.

The bill in relation to the inspection and testing of water-
wheels, was amended, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

In relation to unclaimed dividends and deposits not bear-
ing interest in savings banks ;

For the further preservation of deer, were severally read a
second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

Williams-
burg Reser-
voir Com-
pany.

The Senate bill in relation to the Williamsburg Reservoir
Company, was read twice, amended in the title by substitut-
ing the following, to wit:—

Bill to authorize the Williamsburg Reservoir Company to
construct an additional reservoir, and for other purposes, was
read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Chemical
Fire Ex-
tinguisher
Company.

The Senate bill in relation to the Chemical Fire Extin-
guisher Company, was read twice, under a suspension of the
rule, amended, and in the title by striking therefrom the
words "in relation to the," and substituting therefor the
words, "to satisfy certain proceedings of the," and as
amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Women's
Economical
Garden
Homestead
League.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Women's Economical
Garden Homestead League, was read a third time and passed
to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Henry Mayo
and Com-
pany.

The Senate bill to authorize Henry Mayo and Company to
extend their wharf in East Boston, was read a third time
and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Rowe's
Wharf.

The Senate bill to authorize the Proprietors of Rowe's
Wharf in Boston to extend the same, was read a third time
and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf in South Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to confirm and make valid certain acts of the Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook and its tributaries, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston and W. Roxbury.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to the punishment of larceny, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Larceny.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill for the protection of quail on the island of Nantucket, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Nantucket.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolves to provide certain towns with the law reports and general and special laws and standard weights and measures, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Providing certain towns with law reports, etc.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to extend the time for organizing the Marblehead and Lynn Railroad Company, and for locating its road, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Marblehead and Lynn Railroad Company.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Woronoco Savings Bank ;

To authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to hire the road of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company ;

In addition to an act relating to the West Boston and Cragie Bridges ;

To provide for the regulation and inspection of buildings,

the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston; and

Resolves.

The House resolves,

In favor of Edward F. Campbell;

In favor of Lydia P. Osborne, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**Gill and
Montague.**

The Senate bill to enable the towns of Gill and Montague to subscribe to the capital stock of the Turner's Falls Bridge Company, was read a third time, amended, also in title, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lenox.

The bill to authorize the town of Lenox to take land with the buildings thereon for a town hall, was laid on the table.

**Board of
Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners.**

The bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, was placed first in the orders of the day for Tuesday next.

Bills.

The bills,

To amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River;

To change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange; and

The report on the petition of S. W. Crosby and others, were severally passed over.

Reports.

The Senate reports,

On the annual report of the Surgeon-General; and

On the petition of Joseph T. Wood, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

**Record of
Massachu-
setts Volun-
teers.**

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the order in relation to printing an additional edition of the Record of Massachusetts Volunteers, was recommitted.

**Dudley
Indians.**

The House report on the petition of the Dudley Indians, was accepted in concurrence.

S. D. Fuller.

The Senate report on the petition of S. D. Fuller, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

**Accidents by
unguarded
machinery.**

The resolve in relation to accidents caused by unguarded machinery, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

**Mount Tom
and East-
hampton
Railroad
Company.
Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.**

The bill to incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company, was taken from the table and the amendments were adopted in concurrence.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Brighton Branch Railroad Company.

To extend the charter of the People's Fire Insurance Company of Worcester.

To authorize the Pigeon Hill Granite Company of Rockport to construct a wharf and breakwater.

To authorize the construction of railroad tracks for private use in the transportation of freight.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves
passed, and
to Governor.

In aid of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

In relation to the Antietam National Cemetery.

The report on the petition of David Pulsifer (in the orders of the day), was accepted in concurrence.

David Pulsifer.

Mr. Tenney, on leave, introduced a bill to enable the city of Newburyport and the towns of Amesbury and Salisbury to take stock in the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, and the same was read, and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on Horse Railways.

Newburyport and
Amesbury
Horse Railroad
Company.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 28, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the order concerning amendment of the laws in relation to state aid, reported

State aid.

A bill relating to the payment of state aid to soldiers and sailors and the families of the slain.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of Simeon S. Waters and others, reported

Millbury.

A resolve authorizing the sale of a meeting-house in Millbury; and the bill and resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petitions of

Patrick O'Riordon; and
Horace Peck; and

Patrick
O'Riordon.
Horace Peck.

Leonard
Huntress et
als.

Mr. Whiting, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Leonard Huntress and another, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

A communication was received from Hon. Henry K. Oliver, transmitting the annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and the report was laid on the table.

D. B. Win-
gate.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the petition of D. B. Wingate and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the House.

Surveys of
the coast of
Massachu-
setts.

A bill to procure duplicates of the surveys of the coast of Massachusetts made by the United States Coast Survey; and

Resolves.

Resolves,

In favor of Nathaniel Aglar (on the petition of the same);
Relating to the normal school-house at Bridgewater;

Granting aid to the town of Gay Head for the support of its public schools (on the petition of the school committee of that town), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

County li-
braries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of requiring legislative or other state documents to be furnished to the various county libraries.

Reports discharging the committee on Expenditures from the further consideration of the petitions of

B. C. Mar-
chant,
Assistant-
register of
probate for
Norfolk
County.
Roger H.
Leavitt et
als.
H. L. Dunk-
lee.

B. C. Marchant; and

The assistant-register of probate for Norfolk County, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Reports, of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Roger H. Leavitt and others; and

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of H. L. Dunklee, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Weymouth
Branch
Freight Rail-
way Com-
pany.

A remonstrance of the selectmen and others of Weymouth, against the petition of the Weymouth Branch Freight Railway Company, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railways.

Tremont and
Suffolk Mills.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill to amend chapter 65 of the Acts of 1850, reported

the same in a new draft, under the title of bill to authorize the Tremont and Suffolk Mills to enter into contracts for mutual insurance with other corporations; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Whitney presented resolutions of the towns of Winchendon and Gardner in relation to the passage of the bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company to extend its road, and for other purposes; and the same were read and referred to the committee on Railways and ordered to be printed.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad
Company.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

To abolish the highway tax;

To authorize the Dean Library Association in Medway to hold additional real and personal estate;

To provide for establishing the boundary lines of the state prison lands;

In relation to the fund for the benefit of the Natick Indians;

Concerning the assessment of land damages in the city of Worcester; and

The resolves,

Resolves.

For reimbursement for taxes paid by the New Bedford Institution for Savings;

In relation to certain county maps;

Relating to technical instruction in schools;

Concerning the claims of the owners of lands on the north eastern boundary of Maine, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill in addition to an act authorizing the cultivation of useful fishes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Cultivation
of useful
fishes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the construction of dams across North River in Plymouth County, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

North River
in Plymouth
County.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the First District Court of Southern Worcester, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

First Dis-
trict Court of
Southern
Worcester.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill concerning appeals in civil actions before municipal or police courts, was passed over.

Appeals in
civil actions.

Savings
banks.

The Senate bill in relation to unclaimed dividends and deposits not bearing interest in savings banks, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Insane.

The Senate bill in relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Deer.

The Senate bill for the further preservation of deer, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Green Har-
bor marsh in
Marshfield.

The Senate bill for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Leominster.

The House bill for supplying the town of Leominster with pure water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Plymouth
County Rail-
road Com-
pany.

The House bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Taunton
Great River
and New-
market
River.
Boston Corn
Exchange.

The bill to amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, was passed over.

The bill to change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange, was ordered to be placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday next.

S. W. Cros-
by.

The report on the petition of S. W. Crosby and others, was considered.

Dukes
County.

Mr. Bradley proposed as a substitute therefor, a bill to authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek, and the same was read, adopted, and ordered to a second reading.

Board of
Education.

The bill to change the tenure of office of the members of the Board of Education, was recommitted to the committee on Education.

Southbridge
and Stur-
bridge.

The Senate bill to establish the boundary line between the towns of Southbridge and Sturbridge, was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society, was read twice, amended as proposed by the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and passed to be engrossed.

Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The resolve in relation to accidents caused by unguarded machinery, was further considered.

Accidents caused by unguarded machinery.

Mr. Pierce proposed as a substitute therefor, a bill to secure greater safety in the use of belts and shafting, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

The Senate reports on the petitions of

The Weymouth Branch Freight Railroad Company; and Cutler Laffin and others; and

Weymouth Branch Freight Railroad Company. Constitution.

On the order relative to amending the Constitution, so as to fix the compensation of the members of the Legislature; and

On the order relative to placing a copy of Horace Mann's lectures and reports on education in each public library of the Commonwealth, were severally accepted, the last three in concurrence, and the first sent down for concurrence.

Horace Mann's reports on education.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, April 29, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

The act to authorize the construction of railroad tracks for private use in the transportation of freight, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Private railroad tracks.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

To extend the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the southern district of the city of Boston;

Relating to the sale and delivery of milk, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves establishing a normal school at Worcester (on sundry petitions relative to the subject), were read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Normal school at Worcester.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Albert Freeman and others; and

Reports.

Douglas Frazar ; and

A report of said committee referring the petition of G. A. Churchill and others to the next General Court, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

B. Hammett.

A petition of B. Hammett for authority to build a wharf in the city of Boston, was referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors.

Mary J. Landers.

A petition of Mary J. Landers for State aid, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally in concurrence.

Essex Branch Railroad Company.

A bill to authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its railroad, came up referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Railways, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule.

Guardians.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill to authorize guardians to purchase annuities and making further provisions relating to the appointment of guardians, had been rejected by that branch.

Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company.

Mr. Whitney presented resolutions of the town of Hubbardston, in relation to the extension of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, and the same were read and referred to the committee on Railways, and ordered to be printed.

The same senator presented a petition of William H. Monroe and others, in relation to the same subject, which was referred to the same committee.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Relating to the payment of state aid to soldiers and sailors and the families of the slain ;

To authorize the Tremont and Suffolk Mills to enter into contract for mutual insurance with other corporations ; and

Millbury.

The resolve authorizing the sale of a meeting-house in Millbury, were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Belts and shafting.

The bill to secure greater safety in the use of belts and shafting, was read a second time, amended, and refused a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

To authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek ;

Concerning appeals in civil actions before municipal or police courts ;

To amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River ; and

The report on the petition of Patrick O'Riordon, were Patrick O'Riordon. severally passed over.

The Senate bill to abolish the highway tax, was read a Highway tax. third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the Dean Library Association Dean Library Association. in Medway to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to provide for establishing the boundary State prison lands. lines of the state prison lands, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in relation to the fund for the benefit of Natick Indians. the Natick Indians, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill concerning the assessment of land dam- Worcester. ages in the city of Worcester ; and

The House resolves,

Resolves.

For reimbursement for taxes paid by the New Bedford Institution for Savings ;

Relating to technical instruction in schools ;

Concerning the claims of the owners of lands on the north-eastern boundary of Maine, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House resolve in relation to certain county maps, was County maps. read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports, on the petitions of

Reports.

D. B. Wingate and others ;

Horace Peck ; and

The selectmen of Tewksbury, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reports.

The House reports, on the petitions of H. L. Dunklee; and Roger H. Leavitt and others, were accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 1, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Essex
Branch Rail-
road Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Willcomb, the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule, in order to refer the bill to authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its railroad, was reconsidered, and the bill was then referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railways.

Boston, Bar-
re and Gard-
ner Railroad
Company.

Mr. Whitney presented a petition of Ethan Davis and others; and

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, a petition of William B. Goodwin and others, severally in aid of the passage of the bill concerning the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Allen pas-
sengers.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the Boston Board of Trade, reported

A bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To incorporate the Boston and Richmond Steamship Company (in a new draft);

To provide for the further distribution of the income of the Lexington Ministerial Fund (on the petition of Franklin Patch and others);

To amend an act for the protection of trout in Nye's Pond in Sandwich (on the order in relation to the subject);

To authorize the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth (in a new draft);

Concerning the building and maintaining of Florida Bridge across Deerfield River (on the petition of S. D. Negus and others); and

A resolve authorizing the sale of Captain's Island, were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Captain's Island.

A report of the committee of conference, on the subject-matter of difference of the two Houses, in relation to the act to amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the district court of Southern Berkshire, recommending the passage of the bill in a new draft, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. District Courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Lemuel Pope and others; and Lemuel Pope et als.

A report of the committee on Railways, referring the petition of E. R. Tinker and others to the next General Court, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. E. R. Tinker et als.

Mr. Collins presented a remonstrance of H. W. Vinal and others, against changing the name of the Boston Corn Exchange. Boston Corn Exchange.

Laid on the table.

On motion, Mr. Wakefield was charged with a message to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate, of the bill to amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston. Sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston.

Soon after, that senator returned with the bill, and the vote by which said bill passed to be engrossed having been reconsidered, the same was amended, under a suspension of rule 37, and sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Came up concurred.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate bill relating to the payment of state aid to soldiers and sailors and the families of the slain, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. State aid.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the Tremont and Suffolk Mills to enter into contract for mutual insurance with other corporations, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Tremont and Suffolk Mills.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Millbury,
meeting-
house in.

The resolve authorizing the sale of a meeting-house in Millbury, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Dukes
County.

The bill to authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek, was further considered and committed to the committee on the Treasury.

Appeals in
civil actions.

The Senate bill concerning appeals in civil actions before municipal or police courts, was further considered and amended. It was also amended in the title, by substituting therefor the following :—

Bill concerning appeals in civil actions before the municipal court of the city of Boston ; and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Taunton
Great River
and New-
market
River.

The House bill to amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmarket River, was amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Patrick
O'Riordon.

The Senate report on the petition of Patrick O'Riordon, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of Douglas Frazar ; Albert Freeman and others ; and G. A. Churchill and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 2, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Grover and
Baker Sew-
ing Machine
Company.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bills,

To repeal an act concerning the Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company ;

Municipal
Court of the
Southern
District of
Boston.

To extend the jurisdiction of the municipal court for the southern district of the city of Boston ; and

Mr. Sproat, from the same committee, on the bill relating Milk. to the sale and delivery of milk, severally reported that said bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Methodist Episcopal Churches. Societies, on the order relative to authorizing the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Churches to mortgage their property, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on Railways, to whom was Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company. recommitted the bill relating to the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company, be authorized to report in print.

Mr. Whitney presented petitions of the Monadnock Rail- Ib. road Company, and V. B. Parkhurst and others, severally in aid of the passage of the bill concerning the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Company.

Referred to the committee on Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

To incorporate the Boston and Richmond Steamship Com-
pany ;

To provide for the further distribution of the income of
the Lexington Ministerial Fund ;

To amend an act for the protection of trout in Nye's
Pond in Sandwich ;

To authorize the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company
to issue policies upon property out of the Commonwealth ;

Concerning the building and maintaining of Florida Bridge
across Deerfield River ; and

The resolve authorizing the sale of Captain's Island, were Captain's Island. severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular Alien pas-
sengers. lines of communication ; and

The report of the committee of conference, on the dis- District
Courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire. agreeing votes of the two houses, in relation to the bill to amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the district court of South-
ern Berkshire, were severally passed over.

The House bill to change the name of the Boston Corn Boston Corn
Exchange. Exchange, was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill in relation to divorce, was passed over. Divorce.

The bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Com- Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners. missioners, was in accordance with the report of the com-
mittee thereon, rejected.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of E. R. Tinker and others ; and Samuel Pope and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue (on the petition of said city);

To supply the town of Woburn with pure water (on the petition of said town), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain.
Joel White.

A bill to confirm the organization of the Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury ; and

A resolve to confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardian of the minor children of Joel White, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

State prison, officers of.

A bill concerning salaries of officers of the state prison (on the petition of Daniel Sargent and others), and a resolve providing office-room for the Board of Harbor Commissioners, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Guardians.

A bill relating to the appointment of guardians, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn.

The Senate resolve on the petition of the Trustees of the Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Wesley C. Sawyer.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Wesley C. Sawyer ; and

Quail and woodcock.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to changing the laws respecting the killing of quail and woodcock, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills enacted, and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To establish the boundary line between the towns of Southbridge and Sturbridge.

To provide for the acquisition of title by the United States of lands for light-house purposes, and to cede jurisdiction thereof.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 3, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, to whom was recommended the bill to incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company, reported the same in a new draft, and the bill was read and ordered to a second reading.

Union
Aqueduct
Company.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Insurance, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner, and the order relative thereto, reported

A bill relating to insurance companies; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Insurance
companies.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to change the name of the Dedham Gas Light Company, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Dedham Gas
Light Com-
pany.

Mr. Thayer, on leave, introduced a bill to legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in the town of Uxbridge, May 2, 1871, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on the Judiciary; and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Uxbridge.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Safford presented a remonstrance of Charles Hudson and others, against the passage of the bill to provide for a further distribution of the Lexington Ministerial Fund.

Lexington
Ministerial
Fund.

Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Benjamin F. Cook, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Benjamin F.
Cook.

Mr. Rhodes, from the committee on Insurance, on the order relative to extending the time for organization of the Taunton Insurance Company, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Taunton In-
surance
Company.*Papers from the House.*

Bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Pemberton Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Lawrence (on the petition of A. J. French and others);

To authorize Nathaniel Holmes and others to maintain a boom across the Connecticut River (on the petition of Holmes Wood and others);

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company (on the petition of John Carroll and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sewers and drains.

A bill in addition to an act concerning sewers and drains in the city of Worcester, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Builders' Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

A bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Builders' Mutual Fire Insurance Company (in a new draft), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Cambridge Athenæum.

A bill to change the name of the Cambridge Athenæum, was received, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

President and Fellows of Harvard College.

A petition of the President and Fellows of Harvard College for authority to extend their wharf in Cambridge, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors, under suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To extend the jurisdiction of the municipal court for the southern district of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the sale and delivery of milk, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company.

The Senate bill to repeal an act to change the name of the Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company, and for other purposes, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The bills,

To supply the town of Woburn with pure water ;

To provide for the further distribution of the income of the Lexington Ministerial Fund ; and

Woodcock and quail.

The report in relation to changing the time for the killing of woodcock and quail, were severally passed over.

Atlantic Avenue.

The bill to authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The House bills,

To incorporate the Boston and Richmond Steamship Company ;

To amend an act for the protection of trout in Nye's Pond in Sandwich ;

To authorize the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company to issue policies out of the Commonwealth ;

Concerning the building and maintaining of Florida Bridge across Deerfield River ; and

The House resolve authorizing the sale of Captain's Island, Captain's Island. were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill in relation to divorce, was amended on motion Divorce. severally of Messrs. Thayer of Worcester and Safford, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Fox,	Frost,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Monroe,
Packard,	Park,	Richardson,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stearns,
Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.,	Whiting,	Willcomb,
Wood.—25.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Clark, A. J.,	Collins,
Goodman,	Pierce.—5.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, was passed over. Allen pas-
sengers.

The bill reported by the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, as a substitute for the bill to amend the act to establish the district court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the district court of Southern Berkshire, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. District
Courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.

The Senate report on the order relative to authorizing the Trustees of Methodist Episcopal Churches to mortgage their property, was accepted. Methodist
Episcopal
Churches.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of Wesley C. Sawyer, Wesley C.
Sawyer. was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Bird moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners was rejected, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners.

The following engrossed bills (the first nine of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :— Bills enact-
ed

To incorporate the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

To incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company.

To change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum.

To legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in Monson, April 3, 1871.

To ratify certain proceedings of the Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company.

To fix the salaries of the commissioners of Hampshire County.

Relating to the Arlington Lake Water Company.

Concerning suits against executors and administrators.

To incorporate the Forest River Railroad Company.

To authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to hire the road of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company.

To authorize Amos W. Mooney to extend his wharf in Newburyport.

Allowing a change of venue in capital cases.

Henry
Emery, re-
turn of war-
rant for ar-
rest of.

The Sergeant-at-Arms came in and presented to the President of the Senate the warrant issued by him, in accordance with the order of the Senate adopted April 17, for the arrest of Henry Emery, with the following endorsement thereon, to wit:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston, May 3, 1871.

By virtue of the within warrant I have taken the body of the within named Henry Emery, and now have him in my custody before the Senate.

Henry
Emery, ar-
raignment
of, at the
bar of the
Senate.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Fox, the respondent was arraigned at the bar of the Senate; and

On motion of the same senator,—

Ordered, That the President propound to Henry Emery, now arraigned at the bar of the Senate, the following questions, to wit:—

Are you ready and willing to answer before the joint special committee appointed by this Senate and the House of Representatives of Massachusetts to “inquire if the *state police* is guilty of bribery and corruption,” the following questions, viz.:—

First. Whether since the appointment of the state constabulary force, you have ever been prosecuted for the sale or keeping for sale intoxicating liquors?

Second. Have you ever paid any money to any state constable, and do you know of any corrupt practice or improper conduct of the state police? If so, state fully what sums,

and to whom you have thus paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt practice or improper conduct. Henry Emery.

The President then propounded to the respondent, Henry Emery, the questions contained in the foregoing order, to which the respondent replied as follows, to wit:—

Mr. President:—Before answering these questions, I desire permission to consult with counsel; and

On motion of Mr. Fox, permission was granted, in accordance with his request, and he retired in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Soon after, he came in and made answer to the above questions, as follows:—

Mr. President:—Intending no disrespect to the Honorable Senate, I answer under the advice of counsel, that I am ready and willing to answer the first question; but I decline to answer the second question, upon the ground,

First. That the answer thereto, will accuse me of an indictable offence.

Second. That the answer thereto, will furnish evidence against me, by which I can be convicted of such an offence.

Whereupon, Mr. Fox offered the following order:—

Whereas, Henry Emery, having been duly summoned to testify as a witness before a joint special committee of the Legislature, unreasonably and unlawfully refused so to testify; and whereas said Emery having been brought to the bar of the Senate pursuant to the order of Senate; and whereas an order was then adopted requiring the President of the Senate to propound the following questions, to wit:—

Are you ready and willing to answer before the joint special committee appointed by the Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts to “inquire if the *state police* is guilty of bribery and corruption,” the following questions, viz. :—

First. Whether since the appointment of the state constabulary force, you have ever been prosecuted for the sale or keeping for sale intoxicating liquors?

Second. Have you ever paid any money to any state constable, and do you know of any corrupt practice or improper conduct of the state police? If so, state fully what sums and to whom you have thus paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt practice or improper conduct.

And whereas the said Emery, in contempt of the authority of this Senate, did give an unsatisfactory answer to the second question propounded, it is

Ordered, That said Henry Emery be committed to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, to be by him confined in

Henry
Emery.

the jail of the county of Suffolk for the space of twenty-five days, or until the further order of the Senate, unless he shall sooner signify his willingness to appear and purge himself of his contempt, and testify before the joint special committee and this Senate, and satisfactorily answer the questions propounded to him by the said joint special committee and this Senate ; and

The President of the Senate is hereby authorized to issue his warrant to commit said Henry Emery to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, to be imprisoned in the common jail in the county of Suffolk.

Ordered, That whenever the said Henry Emery, while in custody under the foregoing order, shall inform the Sergeant-at-Arms that he is willing to testify before the said joint special committee and this Senate, it shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms, immediately to take said Emery before the Senate and hold him subject to its order.

And the order was adopted by the following vote, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Boardman,	Bradley,
Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Fox,
Frost,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Long,	Packard,	Park,
Pierce,	Rhodes,	Richardson,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stearns,
Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.,	Whiting,	Whitney,
Willcomb,	Wood.—32.	

NAYS.—None.

And thereupon the President, in accordance with the foregoing order, issued his warrant, as follows, to wit :—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

[L. s.]

By authority of the Senate of Massachusetts.

To JOHN MORISSEY, Esquire, *Sergeant-at-Arms*, GREETING :

Whereas, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on the seventeenth day of April last past, did authorize and require the President thereof to issue his warrant to you, commanding you to arrest Henry Emery, wherever he may be found, and have his body at the bar of the Senate forthwith, to answer as for a contempt in refusing to testify before the joint special committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, having authority to require his testimony ; and whereas, on this third day of May, the Sergeant-at-Arms having arrested the said Emery, the Senate did further order that the said Emery be arraigned at the bar of the Senate,

and certain interrogatories were thereupon propounded to the said Emery relating to the subject-matter of said contempt, and on the answers to the same being received, the following order was passed by the Senate, to wit:—

Whereas, Henry Emery, having been duly summoned to testify as a witness before a joint special committee of the Legislature, unreasonably and unlawfully refused to testify; and whereas said Emery, having been brought to the bar of the Senate, pursuant to the order of the Senate; and whereas an order was then adopted requiring the President of the Senate to propound the following question, to wit:—

Are you ready and willing to answer before the joint special committee appointed by this Senate and the House of Representatives of Massachusetts to “inquire if the *state police* is guilty of bribery and corruption,” the following questions, to wit:—

First. Whether since the appointment of the state constabulary force, you have ever been prosecuted for the sale or keeping for sale intoxicating liquors?

Second. Have you ever paid any money to any state constable, and do you know of any corrupt practice or improper conduct of the state police? If so, state fully what sums and to whom you have thus paid money, and also what you know of such corrupt practice or improper conduct.

And whereas the said Emery, in contempt for the authority of this Senate, did give an unsatisfactory answer to the second question propounded, it is

Ordered, That said Henry Emery be committed to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, to be by him confined in the jail of the county of Suffolk for the space of twenty-five days, or until the further order of the Senate, unless he shall sooner signify his willingness to appear and purge himself of his contempt and testify before the joint special committee and this Senate, and satisfactorily answer the questions propounded to him by the said joint special committee and this Senate; and the President of the Senate is hereby authorized to issue his warrant to commit said Henry Emery to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, to be imprisoned in the common jail in the county of Suffolk.

Ordered, That whenever the said Henry Emery, while in custody under the foregoing order, shall inform the Sergeant-at-Arms that he is willing to testify before the joint special committee and this Senate, it shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms immediately to take said Emery before the Senate and hold him subject to its order.

All of which appears of record in the journal of the Senate now in session.

Henry
Emery.

These, therefore, are to require you, the said John Morissey, Sergeant-at-Arms, to commit the said Henry Emery to the common jail of the county of Suffolk, to be there imprisoned for the term of twenty-five days, unless he shall be sooner discharged by the Senate, in accordance with the terms of the order herein before recited.

And the constable of the Commonwealth and his deputies, all sheriffs and their deputies, and all constables and other officers charged with the service or execution of criminal process are hereby required to be aiding and assisting you in the execution thereof, and the keeper of said jail is likewise required to receive said Henry Emery, and him safely keep as aforesaid, for all of which this shall be sufficient warrant.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of your doings.

By order of the Senate.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Senate, this third day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

HORACE H. COOLIDGE,
President of the Senate.

Attest: S. N. GIFFORD,
Clerk of the Senate.

And thereupon the respondent was removed in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 4, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Holyoke and
Northampton Boom
and Lumber
Co.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Edwin Chase and others, reported

A bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

Alewives.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the bill to amend section 29 of chapter 384 of the Acts of 1869, reported the same in a new draft, under the title of

Bill to limit the time for catching alewives, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Officers of
the state
prison, salaries of.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill concerning salaries of officers of the state prison; and

Mr. Whitney, from the same committee, on the resolves,

In favor of Nathaniel Aglar ;

Granting aid to the town of Gay Head for the support of its public schools ;

Nathaniel
Aglar.
Gay Head.

Relating to the normal school-house at Bridgewater ; and

Normal
school-house
at Bridge-
water.
Adoption of
children.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the bill in relation to the adoption of children, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the bill relating to the appointment of guardians ; and

Guardians.

Mr. Sproat, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the bill for the maintenance and repairs of Haverhill Bridge, severally reported that these bills ought not to pass, and they were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Haverhill
Bridge.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider what measures it may be expedient to take for the proper reception of the President of the United States, should he visit the Commonwealth during the present session of the Legislature.

Reception of
the Presi-
dent of the
United
States.

And the President took time to appoint.

On motion of Mr. Stearns,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider if any further legislation is necessary in relation to the service of the trustee process.

Trustee
process.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions inquire into the expediency of selling the school-ship George M. Barnard and providing elsewhere for the charge of the inmates.

School-ship
Geo. M.
Barnard.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

Concerning the appointment of surgeons in the militia (on the petition of Albert Freeman and others) ;

To incorporate the Holyoke and Belchertown Railroad Company (on the petition of Edwin Chase and others) ;

; To incorporate the Springfield and Athol Railroad Company (on the petition of Ezekiel Blake and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Clerical assistance to the Governor.

A resolve authorizing the Governor to employ extra clerical assistance, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

C. E. Guild et alis.

A report of the committee on Insurance, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. E. Guild and others, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Providing towns with law reports, etc.

The Senate resolve to provide certain towns with the law reports and general and special laws and standard weights and measures, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Board of Harbor Commissioners, office-room for.

Mr Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve providing office-room for the Board of Harbor Commissioners, reported the same in a new draft, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Surveys of the coast of Massachusetts.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the bill to procure the duplication of the surveys of the coast of Massachusetts made by the United States Coast Survey; and

Wareham Bank.

The same senator, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the bill to revive the Wareham Bank for certain purposes; and

Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in W. Roxbury.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to confirm the organization of the Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and these bills were ordered to a second reading.

Real estate, mortgage of, by guardians.

A bill (from the House) in relation to mortgages of real estate by guardians, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery. Subsequently,

Cambridge, sidewalks in.

Mr. Fox, from said committee, reported the same without amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Howe, on leave, introduced a bill relating to sidewalks in the city of Cambridge, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 17th Rule, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the suspension of said rule.

Melrose Savings Bank.

Mr. Pierce, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Melrose Savings Bank, and the Senate refusing to suspend the 17th Joint Rule, the same was referred under said rule to the next General Court.

Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate refused to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to establish a Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners was rejected.

Bills.

The bills,

To incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company;
Relating to insurance companies;

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company ;
 To incorporate the Pemberton Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Lawrence ;

To authorize Nathaniel Holmes and others to maintain a boom across the Connecticut River ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Builders' Mutual Insurance Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills,

Bills.

To authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue ;

To extend the jurisdiction of the municipal court for the southern district of Boston, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bills,

Id.

In relation to the sale and delivery of milk ;

To supply the town of Woburn with pure water ;

In relation to divorce, were severally passed over, and the last named amended and ordered to be printed.

The bill reported by the committee of conference as a substitute for the bill to amend the act to establish the District Court of Northern Berkshire and the District Court of Southern Berkshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

District Courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire.

The House bill to provide for the further distribution of the income of the Lexington Ministerial Fund, was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

Lexington Ministerial Fund.

The bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication was committed to the committee on Expenditures.

Alien passengers.

The report on the order relative to amendment of the laws respecting the killing of quail and woodcock, was accepted in concurrence.

Quail and woodcock.

The Senate reports on the order relative to extending the time for the organization of the Taunton Insurance Company ; and

Taunton Insurance Co.

On the petition of B. F. Cook, were severally accepted.

B. F. Cook.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval:—

Bills laid before the Governor.

To incorporate the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

To incorporate the Mount Tom and Easthampton Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company.

To change the name of the Blackstone Athenæum.

To legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in Monson, April 3, 1871.

To ratify certain proceedings of the Chemical Fire Extinguisher Company.

To fix the salaries of the commissioners of Hampshire County.

Relating to the Arlington Lake Water Company.

Concerning suits against executors and administrators.

To incorporate the Forest River Railroad Company.

To authorize the Worcester and Nashua Railroad Company to hire the road of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company.

To authorize Amos W. Mooney to extend his wharf in Newburyport.

Allowing a change of venue in capital cases.

Bills enacted,
and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Concerning notices of non-acceptance or non-payment of negotiable instruments.

To authorize the Williamsburg Reservoir Company to construct additional reservoirs, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Woronoco Savings Bank in Westfield.

To incorporate the Ashburnham Railroad Company.

To establish the fees of coroners.

To extend the time for organizing the Marblehead and Lynn Railroad Company, and for locating its road.

Concerning the assessment of land damages in the city of Worcester.

In addition to an act relating to West Boston and Cragie Bridges.

For supplying the town of Leominster with pure water.

Resolves
passed, and
to Governor

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed, and, with the above named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

In favor of Edward F. Campbell.

For reimbursement for taxes paid by the New Bedford Institution for Savings.

In favor of Lydia P. Osborne.

Concerning the claims of owners of lands on the north-eastern boundary of Maine.

Relating to technical instruction in schools.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 5, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Board of Education, reported Deaf mutes.

A bill relating to deaf mutes, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the same committee, on the bill for changing the tenure of office for the State Board of Education, reported that the same ought not to pass, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection. Board of Education.

Mr. Fletcher, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to incorporate the town of Ayer, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Ayer.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Margaret B. Crane, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Margaret B. Crane.

Mr. Bradley, on leave, introduced a bill to exempt Grove Hill Seminary from taxation, and the Senate refusing to suspend the 17th joint rule, the same was referred to the next General Court. Grove Hill Seminary.

Papers from the House.

A bill to protect the fisheries in Edgartown was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Fisheries. Edgartown, protection of fisheries in.

A bill in addition to an act for supplying the city of Worcester with pure water, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Worcester.

A report of the committee on Railways, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to the method of burning fuel in locomotives and other generators, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Burning of fuel in locomotives, &c.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the vote whereby the Senate refused to suspend the 17th joint rule, in relation to the reference of the bill to incorporate the Melrose Savings Bank, was reconsidered, and the bill was then referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. Melrose Savings Bank.

• Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Additional
clerical as-
sistance to
the Gover-
nor.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the House resolve authorizing the Governor to employ extra clerical assistance, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Melrose Sav-
ings Bank.

Mr. Pierce presented a petition of Wingate P. Sargent and others, in aid of the passage of the bill to incorporate the Melrose Savings Bank.

Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

To limit the time for catching alewives ;

To incorporate the Springfield and Athol Railroad Com-
pany ;

To incorporate the Holyoke and Belchertown Railroad
Company ;

To revive the Wareham Bank of Wareham for certain
purposes ;

To procure the duplication of the surveys of the coast of
Massachusetts made by the United States Coast Survey ;

Concerning the appointment of surgeons in the militia ;

In relation to mortgages of real estate by guardians ;

In relation to the adoption of children ; and

Resolves.

The resolves,

In favor of Nathaniel Aglar ;

To provide office-room for the Board of Harbor Commis-
sioners ;

Granting aid to the town of Gay Head for the support of
its public schools ;

In relation to the normal school-house at Bridgewater,
were severally read a second time and ordered to a third
reading.

State prison,
salaries of
officers of.

The bill concerning the salaries of officers of the state
prison was read a second time, and the question on ordering
the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as
follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates,

Clark, J. W.,

Goodman,

Long,

Pierce,

Thayer, S.,

Bradley,

Collins,

Greeley,

Monroe,

Rhodes,

Whitney.—17.

Clark, A. J.,

Frost,

Howe,

Park,

Stickney,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,

Elliot,

Thayer, A.,

Bird,

Hawes,

Wood.—8.

Caswell,

Tenney,

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill for the maintenance and repairs of Haverhill Bridge was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Haverhill
Bridge.

The bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company ;

Relating to the sale and delivery of milk, were severally passed over.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Union Aqueduct Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to change the name of the Dedham Gas Light Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Dedham Gas
Light Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to insurance companies was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Insurance
companies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill in relation to divorce was further considered.

Divorce.

Mr. Collins proposed an amendment thereto, pending the consideration of which, the subject was assigned for consideration on Tuesday next.

The bill to supply the town of Woburn with pure water was ordered to a third reading.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Pemberton Mutual Fire Insurance Company ;

To authorize Nathaniel Holmes and others to maintain a boom across the Connecticut River ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Builders' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, the last with an amendment in the title, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of C. E. Guild and others was accepted in concurrence.

C. E. Guild
et al.

The bill relating to the appointment of guardians was recommitted.

Guardians.

The House bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Konkapot
Valley R. R.
Co.

West Rox-
bury.

The House bill to confirm the organization of the Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

President of
United
States.

The President appointed Messrs. Crosby, Frost and Stickney as the committee on the part of the Senate on the order in relation to the reception of the President of the United States.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 6, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Children.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the order relative to the adoption of children, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

ib.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions inquire and report what legislation, if any, is required to provide for the placing out and indenturing of children supported as paupers by cities and towns to proper trades and employments.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston and
Portland
Railway
Trust Co.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways on the bill to incorporate the Boston and Portland Railway Trust Company and the order relative to cheap railway transportation, reported

Cheap rail-
way traffic.

A resolve relative to cheap railway traffic, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Judge of
probate for
the county
of Suffolk.

The Senate bill to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Maple Street
Methodist
Episcopal
Church in
Lynn.

A resolve to authorize the trustees of Maple Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Lynn to mortgage their meeting-house (on the petition of Oliver Ramsdell and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill concerning actions of tort by and against married women was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Actions of tort.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate, of the committee on Insurance, on the order relative to extending the time for the organization of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston ;

Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Boston.

Of the committee on Harbors, on the order in relation to closing the draws in the bridges over Charles and Mystic Rivers and Fort Point Channel at certain hours of the day, were read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Charles and Mystic Rivers and Fort Point Channel.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railways consider the expediency of providing by law that all railroad corporations heretofore chartered and not built, or which may be hereafter chartered, in which the minimum amount of capital stock is not definitely determined by charter, shall have a capital stock bearing a proper proportion to each mile of railroad authorized to be built.

Railroads, capital stock of.

Mr. Hawes, from the committee on Public Lands, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners on Public Lands, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Report of Commissioners on Public Lands.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill relating to deaf mutes and the resolve authorizing the Governor to employ additional clerical assistance, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Deaf mutes.

The bill to change the tenure of office of members of the Board of Education was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Additional clerical assistance to the Governor.
Board of Education.

The Senate bill to limit the time for catching alewives was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Alewives.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

To incorporate the Springfield and Athol Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the Holyoke and Belchertown Railroad Company ;

Concerning the appointment of surgeons in the militia ;

Concerning the salaries of officers of the state prison ;

In relation to mortgages of real estate by guardians ;

In relation to the adoption of children ;

To supply the town of Woburn with pure water ; and

Resolves.

The House resolves,

To provide office room for the Board of Harbor Commissioners ;

Granting aid to the town of Gay Head for the support of its public schools ;

In favor of Nathaniel Aglar ;

Relating to the normal school-house at Bridgewater, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Wareham Bank.

The Senate bill to revive the Wareham Bank of Wareham for certain purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The bills,

To procure the duplication of the surveys of the coast of Massachusetts made by the United States Coast Survey ;

To incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company, were severally passed over.

The bill relating to the sale and delivery of milk was amended and ordered to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Margaret B. Crane.

The Senate report on the petition of Margaret B. Crane was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Burning of fuel in locomotives, &c.

The House report on the order relative to the method of burning fuel in locomotives and other generators, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills enacted, and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To authorize the Tremont and Suffolk Mills to enter into contract, for mutual insurance, with other corporations.

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company.

Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn.

An engrossed resolve to authorize the Saint Paul's Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn to mortgage its church property (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Public park in Boston.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House announcing that the Senate bill for the laying out of one or more public parks in or near the city of Boston had been rejected by that branch.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 8, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the annual report of the Secretary of the Board of Education, Schools, attendance upon. reported

A resolve providing for the revision of the laws relating to attendance upon the public schools.

Mr. Goodman, from the committee on Harbors, on the petition of the President and Fellows of Harvard College, President and Fellows of Harvard College. reported

A bill to authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge, and the bill and resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, Joel White. reported the resolve to confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardians of the minor children of Joel White, deceased, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, Jacob B. Brown et al. on the petition of Jacob B. Brown and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Bird offered the following order, which was read and laid on the table:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire whether the order of the Senate of May 3, committing Henry Emery to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, to be by him confined in the jail of the county of Suffolk for the space of twenty-five days, or until the further order of the Senate, was obeyed. Henry Emery, concerning imprisonment of, and legality of admitting to bail.

Also, that the same committee inquire whether said Emery, being under sentence of imprisonment for a term of days by order of the Senate, could legally be admitted to bail.

Papers from the House.

A bill to apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 State tax. dollars, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

A bill to authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square in Boston to sell its meeting-house, and for other Church in Brattle Square. purposes, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Winnisimmet Ferry Co.

A bill to amend an act to authorize the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor, was read and referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors.

Railroad police.

The Senate bill to provide for a railroad police and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, came up, and the House *insists* on its amendment in which the Senate non-concurred, and thereupon the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence, and Messrs. Bird, Howe and Stearns were appointed a committee of conference on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses in relation thereto.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order concerning final adjournment.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee of three on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to report whether the state of the public business will permit the adjournment of the General Court by the 17th instant, or at a near succeeding day; and Messrs. Woodbury of Boston, Baldwin of Worcester, and Mulligan of Paxton are appointed the committee on the part of the House,

And Messrs. Bird and Goodman were joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Maple Street Methodist Society in Lynn.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the resolve to authorize the trustees of Maple Street Methodist Society in Lynn to mortgage their meeting-house, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Cheap railway traffic.

The resolve relative to cheap railway traffic was assigned for consideration on Wednesday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Deaf mutes.

The Senate bill relating to deaf mutes was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Additional clerical assistance to the Governor.

The House resolve authorizing the Governor to employ additional clerical assistance, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Surveys of the coast of Massachusetts.

The bill to procure the duplication of the surveys of the coast of Massachusetts made by the United States Coast Survey, was further considered and rejected.

Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company. Adoption of children.

The bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company was passed over.

The report on the order relative to the adoption of children was accepted.

The Senate report on the annual report of the Commissioners on Public Lands was accepted. Public lands.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports, on the order relative to extending the time for organizing the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Boston ; and Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Boston.

On the order relative to confining the passage of vessels through the draws of the bridges over Charles and Mystic Rivers and Fort Point Channel to certain hours, were severally accepted in concurrence. Charles and Mystic Rivers and Fort Point Channel.

The bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was taken from the table, and under a suspension of the rule requiring the same to be referred to a committee of the Senate, assigned for consideration on Thursday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M. Intoxicating liquors.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :— Bills enacted, and to Governor.

To authorize the Proprietors of Rowe's Wharf in Boston to extend the same.

To authorize Henry Mayo and Company to extend their wharf in East Boston.

To confirm certain acts of the Boston Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In relation to unclaimed dividends and deposits not bearing interest in savings banks.

To provide for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston.

To amend an act to regulate the fisheries in Taunton Great River and Newmasket River.

To amend an act for the protection of trout in Nye's Pond in Sandwich.

To authorize the Central Mutual Fire Insurance Company to issue policies out of the Commonwealth.

To change the name of the Boston Corn Exchange.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House announcing that the Senate bill to incorporate the Commonwealth Savings Bank had been rejected by that branch. Commonwealth Savings Bank.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 9, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Charles and
Miller's Riv-
ers and Fort
Point Chan-
nel.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, to whom was referred the order in relation to closing Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel to the passage of a certain class of vessels, reported

A resolve in relation to the traffic across Charles River and Fort Point Channel, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Obstruction
of highways
by railroad
corporations.

Mr. Stearns, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations, and the same was read, under a suspension of the rule, and ordered to a second reading.

Newbury-
port and
Amesbury
Horse Rail-
road Co.

Mr. Willcomb, from the committee on Horse Railways, reported a bill to enable the city of Newburyport and the towns of Amesbury and Salisbury to take stock in the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Cape Cod
Railroad.

Mr. Atwood, on leave, introduced a bill to extend the time for locating the extension of the Cape Cod Railroad, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To regulate the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments (on sundry petitions asking for the passage of a law making ten hours' labor a day's work);

Increasing the expenditures and compensation of the agent for discharged convicts (on the annual report of the agent), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

To.

Bills,

To change the name of the Cambridge Athenæum;

In relation to betterments, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Milk.

The House bill relating to the sale and delivery of milk came up non-concurred in the Senate amendments therein, and thereupon the Senate insisted on its amendments, and the bill was returned to the House.

Grain and
meal, meas-
urement of.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to a change of

the laws concerning the measurement of grain and meal, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A petition of Benjamin H. Corliss, in behalf of the town of Gloucester for an act of incorporation as a city, was referred to the committee on towns. Gloucester.

A petition of S. C. Smith and others for a change of the laws in relation to the herring fishery in Edgartown, was referred to the committee on the Fisheries. S. C. Smith.

Severally in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

To authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge ;

To authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square to sell its meeting-house, and for other purposes ; and

The resolves,

Resolves.

Providing for a revision of the laws relating to the attendance upon public schools ;

To confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardians of the minor children of Joel White, deceased, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company was ordered to a third reading. Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Lenox to take land, with the buildings thereon, for a town hall, was ordered to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill in relation to divorce was further considered, and the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Collins was rejected, and the question then recurring on ordering said bill to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :— Divorce.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bird,
Bradley,	Monroe,	Rhodes,
Richardson,	Safford,	Stearns,
Stickney,	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,
Whiting,	Wood.—14.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,	Goodman,	Hawes,
Kimball,	Long,	Packard,
Pierce,	Tenney,	Whitney.—12.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Maple Street
Methodist
Society in
Lynn.

The House resolve to authorize the trustees of the Maple Street Methodist Society in Lynn to mortgage their meeting-house, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Jacob B.
Brown et
als.

The Senate report on the petition of Jacob B. Brown and others was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Divorce.

Mr. Pierce moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill in relation to divorce passed to be engrossed, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the city of Boston to construct a wharf in South Boston.

To authorize the Dean Library Association in Medway to hold additional real and personal estate.

To authorize the towns of Gill and Montague to subscribe for and hold shares in the capital stock of the Turner's Falls Bridge Company.

For the protection of quail in the island of Nantucket.

To incorporate the Boston and Richmond Steamship Company.

To authorize the city of Boston to extend Atlantic Avenue.

To amend the act to establish the District Court of Northern Berkshire and the act to establish the District Court of Southern Berkshire.

To extend the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court for the Southern District of the city of Boston.

To provide for the further distribution of the Lexington Ministerial Fund.

To confirm the organization of the Central Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain in West Roxbury.

Concerning the building and maintaining of Florida Bridge across Deerfield River.

Captain's
Island.

An engrossed resolve to authorize the sale of Captain's Island (which originated in the Senate) passed, and with the above named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Sub-treas-
ury and
post-office
site in Bos-
ton.

An engrossed bill to amend chapter 327 of the Acts of the year 1870, relating to the sub-treasury and post-office site in Boston, being put upon its final passage, was rejected.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 10, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to change the name of the Cambridge Athenæum, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Cambridge
Athenæum.

Mr. Thayer, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the city of Worcester to establish a city hospital, and the same was read, and under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the suspension of said rule.

Worcester,
bill to
authorize to
establish a
city hospital.

On motion of Mr. Bartholomew,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of preventing by law any justice of any municipal, police or district court from practising law in the courts of the Commonwealth.

Prohibiting
the practice
of law by
Justices of
courts.*Papers from the House.*

Bills,

Bills.

In addition to an act providing for the establishment of true meridian lines and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state (on the order in relation to the subject);

To change the location of the Exchange Insurance Company (in a new draft), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A resolve in favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy (on the Governor's address), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Museum of
Comparative
Zoölogy.

Bills,

Bills.

Concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston;

To authorize the construction of narrow gauge railways, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate bill for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Green Har-
bor marsh in
the town of
Marshfield.

The bill relating to the sale and delivery of milk came up, and the House *insists* on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment therein, and Messrs. Merriam of Leominster, Mason of Winchendon and Heywood of Gardner are ap-

Milk.

pointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses. And

Thereupon the Senate insisted on its amendment, and Messrs. Sproat, Safford and Richardson were appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

B. Hammett.

A report of the committee on Harbors, referring the petition of B. Hammett to the next General Court, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

James
Laurie,
Reports of.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting, in compliance with the order of the Senate, copies of reports of James Laurie, late Consulting Engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Ayer, town
of.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill in addition to an act to incorporate the town of Ayer, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

Trustees, ap-
pointment
of.

A bill in relation to the appointment of trustees in certain cases, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Norfolk West
District Tem-
perance
Union.

Mr. Wakefield presented a petition of the Norfolk West District Temperance Union in relation to the sale of ale and beer, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bills,

Water-
wheels.
Young Peo-
ple's Sav-
ings Bank.

In relation to the inspection and testing of water-wheels ; To incorporate the Young People's Savings Bank, had severally been rejected by that branch.

Divorce.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill in relation to divorce passed to be engrossed, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates,
Goodman,
Tenney,

Clark, A. J.,
Hawes,
Whiting.—8.

Elliot,
Rhodes,

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Boardman,
Frost,
Packard,
Safford,
Thayer, A.,
Willcomb,

Bartholomew,
Bradley,
Howe,
Park,
Sproat,
Thayer, S.,
Wood.—20.

Bird,
Clark, J. W.,
Long,
Richardson,
Stearns
Wakefield,

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

The bills,

Bills.

In addition to an act to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations ;

To enable the city of Newburyport and the towns of Amesbury and Salisbury to take stock in the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company ; and

The resolve in relation to the traffic across Charles River and Fort Point Channel, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Charles River and Fort Point Channel.

The bill to regulate the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments was read a second time and assigned for consideration to-morrow at 8½ o'clock, P. M.

Hours of labor in manufacturing establishments, bill to regulate.

The bill to increase the expenditures and compensation of the agent for discharged convicts was read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading.

Agent for discharged convicts. President and Fellows of Harvard College.

The Senate bill to authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge, was read a third time and ordered to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square to sell its meeting-house, and for other purposes ; and

Church in Brattle Square.

The House resolve to confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardians of the minor children of Joel White, deceased, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Joel White.

The Senate resolve providing for the revision of the laws relating to attendance upon public schools, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Attendance upon public schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company was passed over.

Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

The House report on the order in relation to the measurement of grain and meal was accepted in concurrence.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the resolve relative to cheap railway traffic, and Mr. A. J. Clark proposed as a substitute therefor a bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company, and the question on the adoption thereof was determined as follows, to wit :—

Cheap railway traffic.

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,
Clark, A. J.,
Long,
Tenney,
Willcomb.—13.

Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,
Rhodes,
Thayer, S.,

Caswell,
Fletcher,
Stickney,
Whiting,

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bird,	Elliot,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Hawes,	Howe,	Kimball,
Packard,	Richardson,	Safford,
Stearns,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
Whitney,	Wood.—17.	

So the substitute was rejected, and thereupon the resolve was recommitted with instructions to report a bill requiring one or more railroad corporations to carry passengers at the rate of two cents per mile.

Bills enacted, and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Falmouth Heights Land and Wharf Company, and for other purposes.

To increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Suffolk.

In relation to the fund for the benefit of the Natick Indians.

In addition to an act for encouraging the cultivation of useful fishes.

To incorporate the Pemberton Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Lawrence.

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company.

To authorize Nathaniel Holmes and others to maintain a boom across Connecticut River.

Concerning salaries of officers of the state prison.

Concerning the appointment of surgeons in the militia.

In relation to mortgages of real estate by guardians.

Engrossed resolves,

To provide the towns of Ayer and Maynard with the law reports and with a set of standard weights and measures ;

Authorizing the sale of a meeting-house in Millbury (which severally originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 11, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Taxation of the gross receipts of railroad corporations.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to levying a tax on the gross receipts of railroad corporations, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Richardson, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill concerning sidewalks in the city of Cambridge, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment in the title, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Sidewalks in
the city of
Cambridge.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

For the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines (on the communication from the Harbor Commissioners relative thereto);

Bills.

Concerning pilotage (on sundry petitions relative to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports,

Granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Insurance, on the petition of J. H. Fairbanks and others; and

J. H. Fairbanks et al.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to admitting the male inhabitants of the Commonwealth to the right to vote at elections, without requiring a state or county tax to be paid prior to such election, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Constitution.

The Senate bill for the preservation of deer came up concurred with an amendment, and the Senate non-concurred therein, and the bill was returned to the House.

Deer.

A communication was received from the House, announcing that the Senate resolve authorizing Mary Jane De Zea to sell real estate had been rejected by that branch.

Mary Jane De Zea.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,

Bills.

In relation to the appointment of trustees in certain cases;

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Ayer;

In addition to an act providing for the establishment of true meridian lines and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state;

To change the location of the Exchange Insurance Company;

To change the name of the Cambridge Athenæum, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Obstruction of highways by railroad corporations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to enable the city of Newburyport and the towns of Amesbury and Salisbury to take stock in the New-

Newburyport and Amesbury

Horse R. R. Co. buryport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

B. Hammett. The House report on the petition of B. Hammett, was accepted in concurrence.

Agent for discharged convicts. The House bill to increase the expenditures and compensation of the agent for discharged convicts, was read a third time, amended by restoring the words stricken out yesterday, and ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

Charles River and Fort Point Channel. The resolve in relation to the traffic across Charles River and Fort Point Channel, was read a third time, pending the consideration of which, the hour specially assigned for the consideration of the bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors arrived, and the bill was read a second time and amended on motion of Mr. Hawes ; also on motion of Mr. Thayer.

Intoxicating liquors.

Mr. Monroe proposed an amendment, to add at the end of section 1 the following words : " and it is also hereby provided, that the restrictions upon the sale of cider shall be the same as those that are provided in this section upon the sale of ale, porter, strong beer and lager-bier ; " and the question on this amendment was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Collins,
Fox,	Howe,	Long,
Monroe,	Park,	Sproat,
Stearns,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.,
Whiting,	Wood.—14.	
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Fletcher,	Frost,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Kimball,	Packard,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Richardson,	Safford,
Stickney,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Willcomb —22.		

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Stearns offered an amendment, as follows, to wit :—
Strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert instead thereof, the words,

" Section 1. In all towns which have voted or shall vote to prohibit the sale of ale, porter, strong beer and lager-bier, under existing provisions of law, the said articles shall be subject to seizure and confiscation in the same manner as spirituous liquors " ; and the question on this amendment was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Collins,
Crosby,	Fox,	Howe,
Kimball,	Monroe,	Park,
Pierce,	Richardson,	Stearns,
Thayer, A.,	Wood.—14.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Elliot,	Fletcher,	Frost,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Packard,	Rhodes,	Safford,
Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Whitney,
Willcomb.—22.		

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Fox proposed the following as a new section :—

“Section —. It shall be the duty of the constable of the Commonwealth or either of his deputies, when it shall be brought to his notice that any offence has been committed against the provisions of this act, or under the provisions of the 415th chapter of the Acts of 1869, by the affidavits of three citizens of the county in which the offence is alleged to have been committed, forthwith to investigate the same, and if he shall be satisfied that there is reasonable cause to believe that such offence has been committed, forthwith to prosecute the alleged offender; and a full statement of all such cases, together with his action on the same, shall be contained in the annual report of said constable to the governor.”

*Intoxicating
liquors.*

“Said constable is hereby authorized to employ such clerical assistance as he may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this section; but nothing in this act shall be so construed as to limit the power of the constable of the Commonwealth in the execution of the law.”

And this amendment was rejected by the following vote :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Collins,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Fox,
Frost,	Howe,	Monroe,
Park,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Stearns,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Wood.—17.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Hawes,	Kimball,	Packard,
Rhodes,	Safford,	Stickney,
Tenney,	Thayer, S.,	Whiting,
Willcomb.—19.		

Mr. Stearns proposed a further amendment to said bill, ^{1b} viz.: strike out the word “may” in the first and fourth lines of the third section, and insert instead thereof the

word "shall," and in the third line, after the word "that," insert the words, "upon the question whether or not"; and the question on this amendment was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Bird, Fox, Park, Stearns,	Boardman, Howe, Pierce, Wood.—11.	Collins, Monroe, Richardson,
NAYS. —Messrs. Atwood, Bradley, Crosby, Frost, Hawes, Rhodes, Tenney, Wakefield, Willcomb.—25.	Bartholomew, Clark, A. J., Elliot, Goodman, Kimball, Safford, Thayer, A., Whiting,	Bates, Clark, J. W., Fletcher, Greeley, Packard, Stickney, Thayer, S., Whitney,

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Atwood, Bradley, Crosby, Frost, Hawes, Rhodes, Tenney, Wakefield, Willcomb.—25.	Bartholomew, Clark, A. J., Elliot, Goodman, Kimball, Safford, Thayer, A., Whiting,	Bates, Clark, J. W., Fletcher, Greeley, Packard, Stickney, Thayer, S., Whitney,
NAYS. —Messrs. Bird, Fox, Park, Stearns,	Boardman, Howe, Pierce, Wood.—11.	Collins, Monroe, Richardson,

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The orders of the day were laid on the table.

Betterments. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in relation to betterments, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment.

Uxbridge. The same senator, from the same committee, reported that the bill to legalize the acts and doing of the town meeting held in the town of Uxbridge, May 2, 1871, ought not to pass; and the bills were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the latter on the question of rejection.

Bills enacted, and to Governor. The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Springfield and Athol Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Holyoke and Belchertown Railroad Company.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves passed, and to Governor.

In favor of Nathaniel Aglar.

To provide office room for the Harbor Commissioners.

Relating to the normal school-house at Bridgewater.

Granting aid to the town of Gay Head for the support of its public schools.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to regulate the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments; but before any action was had thereon, the same was further assigned for to-morrow at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Hours of labor, regulation of.

Mr. Richardson presented a petition of E. F. Sherman, mayor of Lowell, and others, for the repeal of section 51 of chapter 26 of the General Statutes in relation to smallpox.

Smallpox.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The order offered by Mr. Bird respecting the right of the supreme judicial court to admit to bail any person committed to prison by the Senate for contempt, was taken from the table and adopted.

Supreme Judicial Court, right of, to admit to bail any person committed to prison by the Senate for contempt. Cambridge Atheneum.

On motion of Mr. Howe, the bill to change the name of the Cambridge Atheneum, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 12, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of the Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company, for reimbursement of state tax alleged to have been erroneously paid.

Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Co.

Referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill in relation to meetings of directors of manufacturing companies.

Meetings of directors of manufacturing corporations.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wakefield, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary and sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Boston Co-operative Building Co.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, to whom was recommended the bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation to extend its railroad, to ex-

Boston, Barre and Gardner R. R. Co.

tend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to construct a branch in the 16th ward of Boston; and concerning the Shawmut Railroad Company (a new draft of the bill in relation to the subject); .

Authorizing the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton or to erect a new one (in a new draft), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills,

To confirm certain acts done by Augustus Russ as justice of the peace;

Authorizing the appointment of a clerk for the District Court of Southern Berkshire, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills,

Fixing the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner;

To provide for the construction of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad between the western portal of the Hoosac Tunnel and North Adams; and

Resolves.

Resolves,

In favor of William S. Shurtleff;

In favor of Mary J. Landers;

In favor of Adeline V. Stevens;

To establish and maintain a school at the Hoosac Tunnel;

In favor of William A. Kenrick;

To enable the State almshouse at Tewksbury to erect an addition to their building for the harmless and incurable insane;

In favor of Henry J. Coolidge;

In favor of William Washburn and Son; and

Bills.

The bills,

In addition to certain acts for the improvement of the harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein;

To increase the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill;

To fix the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The Senate bills,

In relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane;

To exempt the town of Barnstable from maintaining a high school, and for other purposes, came up severally concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

Reports,

Reports.

Granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Railways, on the petitions of,

Andrew Bigelow and others ;

C. L. Wilder and others ; and

William H. Brown and others ;

Of the committee on Insurance, on the petition of Charles Stoddard and another ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Patrick Donahoe and others, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill to provide for the punishment of common night-walkers, had been rejected by that branch.

Common night-walkers.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to regulate the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments.

Hours of labor, regulation of.

Mr. Willcomb moved to strike from the first and second lines of the first section, the following words, "minor under the age of eighteen years, and no female over that age," and insert instead thereof the word "person," and the question on the adoption of this amendment was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Bird,	Clark, A. J.,	Howe,
	Long,	Pierce,	Richardson,
	Safford,	Stickney,	Willcomb,
	Wood.—10.		
NAYS.—Messrs.	Bartholomew,	Bates,	Boardman,
	Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,	Collins,
	Elliot,	Fletcher,	Fox,
	Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
	Hawes,	Monroe,	Packard,
	Park,	Rhodes,	Tenney,
	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
	Whiting,	Whitney.—23.	

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Collins,	Long,	Rhodes,
	Richardson,	Stickney,	Tenney,
	Willcomb,	Wood.—8.	

YAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Bird,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Fox,	Frost,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Howe,	Monroe,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Safford,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney.—26.	

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Worcester,
city hospital
in.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to authorize the city of Worcester to establish a city hospital, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Lowell.

Mr. Richardson, on leave, introduced a bill to amend the charter of the city of Lowell, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Actions of
tort by and
against mar-
ried women.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill concerning actions of tort by and against married women, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Terminal
facilities of
railroads at
the north
side of Bos-
ton.

The communication from the Harbor and Railroad Commissioners, concerning terminal facilities of railroads at the north side of the city of Boston, was taken from the table and referred to a joint special committee, to consist of the committee on Railways and the committee on Harbors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Charles
River and
Fort Point
Channel.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate resumed the consideration of the resolve in relation to the traffic across Charles River and Fort Point Channel, the question being on ordering the same to be engrossed, and the same was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Collins,	Fletcher,	Frost,
Kimball,	Long,	Rhodes,
Tenney,	Whiting,	Willcomb.—12.
NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Boardman,
Elliot,	Greeley,	Hawes,
Howe,	Monroe,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Stickney,	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Wood.—17.	

So the bill was rejected.

Subsequently the vote whereby said bill was rejected, was reconsidered, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was then amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company, was amended and ordered to a third reading.

Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills,

Bills.

Concerning sidewalks in the city of Cambridge;

Concerning pilotage;

For the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in relation to betterments was assigned for consideration on Tuesday next.

The bill to legalize the acts and doings of the town meeting held in Uxbridge on the second day of May, 1871, was in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

The Senate report on the order relative to levying a tax upon the gross receipts of railroads in the Commonwealth, was accepted.

Taxation of the gross receipts of railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports,

Reports.

On the order relative to admitting the male inhabitants of the Commonwealth to the right to vote at elections without requiring a state or county tax to be paid prior to such election; and

On the petition of J. H. Fairbanks and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Senate bill in relation to the appointment of trustees in certain cases, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Trustees, appointment of, in certain cases.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the town of Ayer, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Ayer, town of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

**Meridian
lines.**

The bill in addition to an act providing for the establishment of true meridian lines, and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state, was passed over.

**Exchange
Ins. Co.**

The House bill to change the name of the Exchange Insurance Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**Intoxicating
liquors.**

The Senate bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.**

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To incorporate the Plymouth and Sandwich Railroad Company.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a new jail at Cambridge.

To authorize the construction of dams across North River in Plymouth County.

To abolish the highway tax.

To change the name of the Dedham Gas Light Company.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 13, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

**Winnisim-
met Ferry
Co.**

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the bill to amend an act authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

**School com-
mittee of
Boston.**

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Education, on the petition of the school committee of the city of Boston, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Papers from the House.

**Cape Cod
Railroad.**

The Senate bill to extend the time for locating the extension of the Cape Cod Railroad, came up concurred, with an amendment, and the bill was laid on the table.

**Cheap rail-
way traffic.**

Mr. Howe, from the committee on Railways, to whom was recommitted the resolve relative to cheap railway traffic,

with certain instructions, reported in accordance with said instructions,

A bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads; also

Passenger fare on certain railroads.

That said resolve ought to pass, and the bill was read and ordered to a second reading, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Mr. Bird, from the same committee, on the bill to revive the charter of the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company, reported the same in a new draft under the title of "bill in addition to an act to incorporate the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company."

East Walpole Branch R.R. Co.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve to enable the inspectors of the state almshouse at Tewksbury to erect an addition to their building for the harmless and incurable insane, reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft, and this bill and resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State almshouse at Tewksbury.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to fix the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner; and

Deputy Tax Commissioner.

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the bills,

Bills.

To increase the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill;

To fix the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire; and

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bills,

Authorizing the appointment of a clerk for the district court of Southern Berkshire;

To confirm certain acts done by Augustus Russ as justice of the peace, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, submitted a similar report, on the resolve in favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Museum of Comparative Zoölogy.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the order relative to making the treasury of the Commonwealth a bank of deposit in certain cases, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and this report was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Treasury.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill authorizing the construction of narrow gauge railways, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred

Narrow gauge railways.

to the committee on Railways; and the report was accepted, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R. Co.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation to extend its railroad, to extend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation, was read a second time and assigned for consideration on Tuesday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Bills.

The bills,

To authorize the city of Worcester to establish a city hospital;

To authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to construct a branch in the 16th ward of Boston, and concerning the Shawmut Railroad Company;

To authorize the commissioners of the county of Bristol to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton or erect a new one;

Concerning actions of tort by and against married women, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Cambridge,
sidewalks in.

The bill concerning sidewalks in the city of Cambridge, was read a third time, amended in the title as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, by substituting therefor the following,

Bill relating to the collection of assessments for sidewalks in the city of Cambridge, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Pilotage.

The House bill concerning pilotage, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

South Bay.

The bill for the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, was read a third time, amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Surveying.

The bill in addition to an act for the establishment of true meridian lines, and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state, was passed over.

Reports.

The House reports on the petitions of

William H. Brown and others;

C. L. Wilder and others;

Andrew Bigelow and others; and

Charles Stoddard and others, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Patrick
Donahoe.

The report on the petition of Patrick Donahoe and others, was considered,

Whereupon, Mr. Collins proposed as a substitute therefor a resolve in favor of the Home for Destitute Catholic Children, and the same was adopted and ordered to a second reading.

The message from the Governor, with copies of reports of James Laurie, late Consulting Engineer of the Hoosac Tunnel, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

James Laurie, late consulting engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel, Reports of.

The petition of the Norfolk West District Temperance Union, was taken from the table and referred to the joint special committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Norfolk West District Temperance Union.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted, and to Governor.

To incorporate the Union Aqueduct Company in Lancaster.

To provide for establishing the boundary lines of the state prison lands.

To revive the Wareham Bank for certain purposes.

To limit the time for catching alewives.

Relating to the payment of state aid to soldiers and sailors and the families of the slain.

Relating to insurance companies.

In relation to the adoption of children.

To change the name of the Cambridge Athenæum.

To supply the town of Woburn with pure water.

To authorize the Builders' Mutual Fire Insurance Company to issue policies out of the Commonwealth.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves passed, and to Governor.

In relation to certain county maps.

Authorizing the Governor to employ additional clerical assistance.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Worcester, the vote whereby the bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the amendment proposed thereto by that senator, and adopted at a former stage of the bill, was stricken out, and the bill was then amended in relation to the same subject-matter, and passed to be engrossed.

Intoxicating liquors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 15, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Worcester
Mechanics'
Association.

Mr. Thayer, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester Mechanics' Association, and the same was read and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Equitable
Investment
Company.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Equitable Investment Company, and the same was read and, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule, referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and these bills were severally sent down for concurrence in the suspension of said rule.

Street rail-
way corpora-
tions.

Mr. Willcomb, from the committee on Horse Railways, on the report of the railroad commissioners in relation to a codification of the laws relating to street railway corporations, reported

A bill concerning street railway corporations, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester
Mutual In-
surance Co.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the petition of the Worcester Mutual Insurance Company, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Claims, and the report was accepted and the petition was sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Resolves.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the House resolves,

In favor of Henry J. Coolidge;

In favor of William A. Kenrick; and

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Mr. Whiting, from said committee, on the House resolves,

In favor of Mary J. Landers;

In favor of William Washburn and Son;

In favor of William S. Shurtleff, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Taxation of
bank shares.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Expenditures, on the order in relation to amending the laws concerning the returns and taxation of bank shares and banking associations established under the laws of the United States, reported

A bill relating to the taxation of bank shares, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Cape Cod
Railroad.

The bill extending the time for the location of the extension of the Cape Cod Railroad, was taken from the table

and the Senate then concurred in the amendment proposed thereto by the House.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

In addition to an act to incorporate the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company;

To amend an act authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor;

To fix the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills,

To authorize the appointment of a clerk of the district court of Southern Berkshire;

To confirm certain acts done by Augustus Russ as justice of the peace, were severally read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to fix the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner, Deputy Tax Commissioner. was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads, was read a second time and amended. Passenger fare on railroads.

Mr. Howe gave notice of certain amendments, which were ordered to be printed, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Collins, Long, Rhodes, Thayer, A., Wood.—16.	Bird, Frost, Monroe, Stickney, Whiting,	Clark, A. J., Kimball, Pierce, Tenney, Whitney,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Bates, Fox, Howe, Willcomb.—10.	Clark, J. W., Greeley, Park,	Crosby, Hawes, Wakefield,
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So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill to increase the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill, was read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading. Police court of Haverhill.

The resolve in favor of the Home for Destitute Catholic Children, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:— Home for Destitute Catholic Children.

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Bates, Bird,
 Collins, Crosby, Frost,
 Howe, Kimball, Monroe,
 Park, Pierce, Rhodes,
 Stickney, Tenney, Wakefield,
 Whiting.—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Greeley, Hawes.—2.

So the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

Tewksbury,
 erection of a
 building for
 harmless and
 incurable
 insane at.
 Museum of
 Comparative
 Zoölogy.
 Cheap rail-
 way traffic.

The resolve to provide for the erection of a building for the harmless and incurable insane at Tewksbury, was read a second time, amended and refused a third reading.

The resolve in favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, was passed over.

The resolve relative to cheap railway traffic, was further considered.

Boston and
 Albany Rail-
 way Trust
 Co.

Mr. A. J. Clark proposed as a substitute therefor, a bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company, pending the consideration of which the whole subject was passed over.

City hospital
 in Worcester.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Worcester to establish a city hospital, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills,

To authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to construct a branch in the 16th ward of Boston, and concerning the Shawmut Railroad Company;

To authorize the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton, or erect a new one;

Concerning actions of tort by and against married women, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Meridian
 lines.

The bill in addition to an act providing for the establishment of true meridian lines and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state, was amended and passed over, and ordered to be printed as amended.

Reports.

The reports, on the petition of the school committee of the city of Boston; and

On the order, in relation to making the Treasury of the Commonwealth a bank of deposit for sums not less than one thousand dollars, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 16, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Bird, from the joint special committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Harbor and Railroad Commissioners in relation to the terminal facilities of certain railroads in the city of Boston, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the next General Court.

Terminal facilities of railroads at the north side of the city of Boston.

The same senator, from the committee on Railways, on the report of the Railroad Commissioners in relation to the codification of the general laws in relation to railroads, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroads.

Mr. Howe, from the same committee, on the order relative to the consolidation of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company with other corporations, reported

Railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state.

A bill concerning corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the House bill in addition to an act concerning sewers and drains in the city of Worcester without amendment, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester, sewers and drains in.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

Bills.

Authorizing the expenditure of money for educational purposes in the state prison (on the report of the inspectors of the same);

To fix the surrender value of policies of life insurance (on the order relative to further protection to policy holders in life insurance companies); and

A resolve concerning state prisons for women (on an order in relation to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State prisons for women.

Bills,

Bills.

Concerning sales of real estate by executors and trustees in certain cases;

Respecting the sale and investment of estates encumbered by contingent remainders, executory devises or powers of appointment, were severally read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

South Bay. The House bill for the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, came up *non-concurred* in the Senate amendments therein, and the Senate *insisted* on its amendments, and the bill was returned to the House.

Boston Coöperative Building Co. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company, reported that the same ought to pass, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Adeline V. Stevens. Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in favor of Adeline V. Stevens; and

School at the Hoosac Tunnel. Mr. Crosby, from the same committee, on the resolve to establish and maintain a school at the Hoosac Tunnel, reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Ashburnham Water Co. Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of George C. Winchester and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston, sidewalks in. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston; and

Meetings of directors of manufacturing corporations. Mr. Boardman, from the same committee, on the bill in relation to meetings of directors of manufacturing corporations, severally reported that the same ought not to pass; and they were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Elliot W. Ford. Mr. Boardman presented a petition of Elliot W. Ford, for the passage of a law authorizing him to marry again, or for a law legalizing his marriage.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Building for the harmless and incurable insane at Tewksbury. Mr. Monroe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the resolve to provide for the erection of a building for the harmless and incurable insane at the state almshouse at Tewksbury, was refused a third reading; and the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the resolve was then amended and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves. The orders of the day were taken up, and the resolves,
 In favor of William Washburn and Son;
 In favor of Mary J. Landers;
 In favor of William A. Kenrick;
 In favor of William S. Shurtleff;
 In favor of Henry J. Coolidge, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Street railway corporations. The bill concerning street railway corporations, was passed over.

The bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads, was assigned for consideration on Thursday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Passenger
fare on cer-
tain rail-
roads.

The Senate bill to amend an act authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston, and to take land therefor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Winnisim-
met Ferry
Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

East Walpole
Branch R. R.
Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to fix the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Deputy Tax
Commis-
sioner.

The House bill to increase the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill, was read a third time as heretofore amended, amended in the title by substituting therefor the following,

Police Courts
of Haverhill
and Fall
River.

Bill to increase the salaries of the clerks of the police courts of Haverhill and of Fall River, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to fix the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

District
court of
Northern
Berkshire.

The Senate resolve in favor of the Home for Destitute Catholic Children, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Home for
Destitute
Catholic
Children.

Sent down for concurrence.

The resolve in favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, was read a third time, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Museum of
Comparative
Zoölogy.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Clark, A. J.,
Fletcher,
Greeley,
Rhodes,
Thayer, A.,

Bartholomew,
Clark, J. W.,
Frost,
Howe,
Safford,
Wakefield,

Bradley,
Crosby,
Goodman,
Monroe,
Stickney,
Whiting.—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird, Collins, Park, Stearns, Willcomb.—13.	Boardman, Long, Pierce, Tenney,	Caswell, Packard, Sproat, Thayer, S.,
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So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Cheap rail-
way traffic.

The resolve relative to cheap railway traffic, was assigned for consideration on Thursday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Meridian
lines in
towns.

The House bill in addition to an act providing for the establishment of true meridian lines, and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state, was ordered to be engrossed, as heretofore amended, in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Betterments.

The bill in relation to betterments, was amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R. Co.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation to extend its railroad, to extend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation, and the same was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Frost, Kimball, Stearns, Wakefield,	Bird, Goodman, Monroe, Stickney, Whiting,	Crosby, Howe, Safford, Thayer, A., Whitney.—15.
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Bradley, Collins, Fox, Park, Sproat, Willcomb,	Bates, Caswell, Elliot, Greeley, Rhodes, Tenney, Wood.—20.	Boardman, Clark, J. W., Fletcher, Long, Richardson, Thayer, S.,

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Subsequently, Mr. Bartholomew moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills enact-
ed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

In relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane.
Relating to deaf mutes.

To repeal an act to change the name of the Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company, and for other purposes.

To relieve the town of Barnstable from penalties incurred by neglect to maintain a high school.

For the improvement of Green Harbor Marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes.

To authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square to sell its meeting-house, and for other purposes.

To increase the expenditures and compensation of the agent for discharged convicts.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House), passed, to wit:—

Resolves passed.

To confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardians of the minor children of Joel White.

To authorize the trustees of Maple Street Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn to mortgage their meeting-house.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 17, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Acts laid before the Governor.

In relation to the discharge of persons confined as insane.

In relation to deaf mutes.

To repeal an act to change the name of the Grover and Baker Sewing Machine Company, and for other purposes.

To relieve the town of Barnstable from penalties incurred by neglect to maintain a high school.

For the improvement of Green Harbor Marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes.

To authorize the Proprietors of the Church in Brattle Square to sell its meeting-house, and for other purposes.

To increase the expenditures and compensation of the agent for discharged convicts.

Also, the following resolves:

Resolves laid before the Governor.

To confirm and make valid certain deeds made by the guardians of the minor children of Joel White.

To authorize the Trustees of the Maple Street Methodist Episcopal Society in Lynn to mortgage their meeting-house.

Mr. Thayer, of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill in addition to an act for supplying

Worcester, pure water in.

the city of Worcester with pure water, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

James
Laurie,
late consulting
engineer
on Hoosac
Tunnel,
Reports of.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, on the reports of James Laurie, late consulting engineer of the Hoosac Tunnel, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

Union pas-
senger
station in
Worcester.

A bill to provide for a union passenger station and for the removal of railroad tracks from certain public ways and grounds in the city of Worcester (on the petition of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Worcester and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Greenfield,
concerning
the use of
the jail at.

A bill concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts (on the report of the Prison Commissioners) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Boston.

A report, granting leave to withdraw, of the committee on Harbors, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city may be relieved from the payment of the assessment made by the Harbor Commissioners, for compensation on account of tide-water displaced by the construction of Atlantic Avenue, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lenox.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill to authorize the town of Lenox to take land with the buildings thereon for a town hall, had been rejected by that branch.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R. Co.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to authorize the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation to extend its railroad, to extend the time for locating and constructing the same, and to change the name of the corporation was refused a third reading, the same was carried in the affirmative,

Whereupon, Mr. Bartholomew proposed a substitute therefor, viz.: bill to extend the time for constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad and to change the name of the corporation; and the same was adopted and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

The bills,

Relating to the taxation of bank shares;

To incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company;

In addition to an act concerning sewers and drains in the city of Worcester; and

The resolves,

Resolves.

Concerning state prisons for women ;
To establish and maintain a school at the Hoosac Tunnel ;
In favor of Adeline V. Stevens, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bills,

Bills.

Concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state ;

To incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company ;

To authorize the expenditure of money for educational purposes in the state prison, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to fix the surrender value of policies of life insurance, was read a second time and refused a third reading.

The bills,

In relation to meetings of directors of manufacturing corporations ;

Concerning sidewalks in the city of Boston, were, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

The Senate resolve to provide for the erection of a building for the harmless and incurable insane at the state almshouse at Tewksbury, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Erection of a building for the harmless insane at Tewksbury.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House resolves,

Resolves.

In favor of William Washburn and Son ;

In favor of Mary J. Landers ;

In favor of William S. Shurleff ;

In favor of Henry J. Coolidge ;

In favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy ;

In favor of William A. Kenrick, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill in relation to betterments, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Betterments.

Subsequently, Mr. Bartholomew moved a reconsideration of the vote by which said bill passed to be engrossed, and the motion being considered was laid on the table.

The bill concerning street railway corporations, was further considered.

Street railway corporations.

Mr. Collins proposed an amendment thereto, whereupon the subject was passed over, and the amendment ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee on Railways, on the report of the Railroad Commissioners in regard to a codification of the general laws respecting railroad corporations ; and

Railroad Commissioners.

Terminal facilities of certain railroads at the north side of Boston.

A report of the joint special committee, on the report of the Harbor and Railway Commissioners respecting the terminal facilities of certain railroads on the north side of the city of Boston, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Cheap railway traffic.

Pursuant to assignment the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the resolve relative to cheap railway traffic.

Mr. Clark of Franklin proposed as a substitute therefor, a bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company, and the question on the adoption of the substitute was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Bradley,
	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Collins,
	Fletcher,	Frost,	Goodman,
	Greeley,	Long,	Monroe,
	Park,	Rhodes,	Safford,
	Stickney,	Tenney,	Thayer, S.,
	Whiting,	Willcomb.—20.	
NAYS.—Messrs.	Bird,	Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,
	Elliot,	Hawes,	Kimball,
	Packard,	Pierce,	Richardson,
	Stearns,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
	Whitney,	Wood.—14.	

So the substitute was adopted and ordered to a second reading.

Amherst College.

The bill to provide for the election of certain trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof, was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Harbor of Boston and Commonwealth's flats therein.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill in addition to an act for the improvement of the harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein, reported, asking to be discharged from the consideration thereof, and the report was accepted and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Collins gave notice of certain amendments to the bill ; which were ordered to be printed.

Real estate, sales of, by executors, &c.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the House bill concerning sales of real estate by executors and trustees in certain cases ; and

State tax.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 dollars ; and

Estates encumbered by contingent remainders, &c.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the House bill respecting the sale and investment of estates encumbered by contingent remainders, executory devises or powers of appointment, severally reported that the

same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Thayer offered the following order, which was read and referred to the committee on Printing :—

Ordered, That one thousand extra copies of the return of the number of females taxed in the Commonwealth, included in House document No. 428, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 18, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Stearns, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to authorize the construction of narrow gauge railways, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve establishing a normal school at Worcester, reported that the same ought to pass with certain amendments; and these bills were severally ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the taxation of savings banks, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Mr. Atwood, from the committee on the Fisheries, on the bill to protect the fisheries in Edgartown, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the next General Court; and these bills were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Goodman, from the joint special committee appointed to inquire and report upon the condition of the public business, reported that in the judgment of the committee, the Legislature may be able to finish all the public business on or before Wednesday, the 24th instant; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills,

To authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its road (in a new draft);

Females
taxed in the
Common-
wealth.

Narrow
gauge rail-
ways.

Normal
school at
Worcester.

Taxation of
savings
banks.

Fisheries in
Edgartown.

Final ad-
journment
of the Legis-
lature.

Bills.

Bills.

To extend the charter of the Beverly Insurance Company (on the petition of the same);

Requiring railroad corporations to have an adequate capital stock before beginning to build their roads (on the order relative to the subject);

To provide for a draw in the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company over Annisquam River in Gloucester (in a new draft), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston Belting Co.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the Boston Belting Company, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills.

Bills,

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts;

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate for the county of Norfolk; and

Resolves.

Resolves,

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house;

In relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council;

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau;

For supplying breech-loading arms to the Volunteer Militia, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

State aid.

A bill concerning state aid to soldiers and their families, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Claims.

South Bay, improvement of navigation in.

The bill for the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, came up, and the House *insists* on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment therein, and Messrs. McKim of West Roxbury, Newell of Boston and Hopkinson of Bradford, are appointed a committee of conference on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses.

Thereupon the Senate insisted on its amendments, and Messrs. Collins, Bird and Goodman were appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

Protection of travellers at railroad crossings.

The Senate bill in addition to the act for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings, came up concurred, with an amendment, and the same, with the bill, was ordered to be printed and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bill relating to the punishment of larceny; and

The Senate order in relation to the reception of the President of the United States, had been severally rejected by that branch.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads; and the amendments proposed thereto by Mr. Howe were adopted.

Mr. Bird moved to amend the bill by striking out the first and second lines, and the words "per annum or more" of the first section, also insert the word "not" after the word "shall" in the third line, and in the 7th line of the same section, strike out the word "no," and insert the word "not" after the word "shall;" and the question on the adoption of this amendment was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Caswell,
Clark, J. W.,	Collins,	Fletcher,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Howe,	Monroe,	Safford,
Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Willcomb.—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fox,	Kimball,	Long,
Packard,	Park,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Richardson,	Stearns,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Whiting,
Wood.—19.		

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to be engrossed it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Collins,	Frost,
Goodman,	Kimball,	Long,
Rhodes,	Stickney,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.—11.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
Clark, J. W.,	Fox,	Greeley,
Hawes,	Howe,	Monroe,
Packard,	Park,	Richardson,
Safford,	Stearns,	Wakefield,
Willcomb,	Wood.—23.	

So the bill was rejected.

Mr. Boardman, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Elliot W. Ford, reported

Larceny.

President of the United States, reception of

Passenger fare on certain railroads.

Elliot W. Ford.

A bill to legalize the marriage of Elliot W. Ford, and for other purposes, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Troy and
Greenfield
Railroad.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill to provide for the construction of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad between the western portal of the Hoosac Tunnel and North Adams, reported that the same ought to pass.

Dukes
County.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the bill to authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek, reported that the same ought to pass with certain amendments; and these bills were severally ordered to a second reading.

Boston
Board of
Trade.

Mr. Frost, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the Boston Board of Trade; and

Jacob K.
Lunt.

Mr. Greeley, from the same committee, on the petition of Jacob K. Lunt, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; and these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
way Trust
Co.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein being the bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company, it was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Bradley,
Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Collins,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Long,	Monroe,	Rhodes.—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,
Elliot,	Fletcher,	Howe,
Kimball,	Packard,	Pierce,
Safford,	Stearns,	Thayer, A.,
Wakefield,	Willcomb,	Wood.—15.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

In addition to an act respecting the sale and investment of estates encumbered by contingent remainders, executory devises or powers of appointment;

To apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 dollars;

To provide for a union passenger station, and for the removal of railroad tracks from certain public ways and grounds in the city of Worcester;

Concerning sales of real estate by executors and trustees in certain cases;

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Worcester with pure water, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in addition to certain acts for the improvement of the harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein, was read a second time.

Harbor of Boston, and Commonwealth's flats therein.

The amendments proposed thereto by Mr. Collins were rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad and to change the name of the corporation, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill relating to the taxation of bank shares was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Taxation of bank shares.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston Coöperative Building Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the State.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company, was passed over.

Ashburnham Water Co.

The House bill in addition to an act concerning sewers and drains in the city of Worcester ; and

Worcester, sewers and drains in. Resolves.

The House resolves,

Concerning state prisons for women ;

To establish and maintain a school at the Hoosac Tunnel ;

In favor of Adeline V. Stevens, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill to authorize the expenditure of money for educational purposes in the state prison, was read a third time, as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

State prison.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report on the message of the Governor, transmitting certain reports of James Laurie, late consulting engineer of the Hoosac Tunnel, was accepted.

James Laurie, late consulting engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel, Reports of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

The House report on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for relief from assessment made by the Harbor Commissioners on account of the construction of Atlantic Avenue, was accepted in concurrence.

Street railway corporations.

The bill concerning street railway corporations was further considered, and the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Collins was rejected, and pending the further consideration thereof, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Bills enacted, and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

For the preservation of deer.

To change the location of the Exchange Insurance Company.

Concerning pilotage.

Boston and Albany Railway Trust Co.

Mr. Collins moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company was refused a third reading.

Passenger fare on certain railroads.

Mr. Willcomb moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads was rejected, and these motions were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 19, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Worcester Mechanics' Association.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester County Mechanics' Association, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

James L. Butman.

Mr. Tenney, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of James L. Butman, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Dexter S. King.

Mr. Goodman, from the special committee, to whom was referred the petition of Dexter S. King, claiming the right to the seat at the Senate Board now occupied by William D. Park, reported thereon a resolve declaring the right of the petitioner to said seat.

Mr. Richardson presented a minority report of said committee, on the same subject, granting leave to withdraw on

the petition ; and these reports were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

A bill to repeal section 51, of chapter 26 of the General Statutes, concerning smallpox (a substitute for Senate bill to amend the charter of the city of Lowell) ; and

A resolve in favor of Barnard C. Marchant (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill concerning the division of flats was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A report of the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill to provide for a railroad police and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, recommending that a substitute for the amendment proposed by the House to said bill be adopted ; and

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, referring the order in relation to the sale of the school ship George M. Barnard to the next General Court, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate resolve in favor of the Home for Destitute Catholic Children, had been rejected by that branch.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill fixing a minimum rate of two cents per mile for passenger fare on certain railroads was rejected, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.	Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
	Bird,	Bradley,	Collins,
	Frost,	Goodman,	Kimball,
	Long,	Monroe,	Pierce,
	Rhodes,	Safford,	Stickney,
	Tenney,	Thayer,	Whitney.—18.
NAYS.—Messrs.	Boardman,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
	Crosby,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
	Fox,	Greeley,	Hawes,
	Packard,	Park,	Richardson,
	Sproat,	Stearns,	Thayer,
	Wakefield,	Willcomb,	Wood.—18.

So the Senate refused to reconsider, and the bill was rejected.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
way Trust
Co.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to incorporate the Boston and Albany Railway Trust Company was considered, was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.		
Bates,	Boardman,	Bradley,
Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,	Collins,
Fox,	Frost,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Long,	Monroe,
Rhodes,	Stickney,	Tenney,
Thayer, S.,	Whitney.—17.	
NAYS.—Messrs.		
Bartholomew,	Bird,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Elliot,	Hawes,
Howe,	Kimball,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stearns,
Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,	Wood.—18.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

Street rail-
way corpora-
tions.

The bill concerning street railway corporations was further considered, and the vote whereby the amendment proposed yesterday by Mr. Collins was adopted, was reconsidered, and the amendment was then amended and adopted, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs.		
Bates,	Boardman,	Bradley,
Caswell,	Collins,	Frost,
Goodman,	Kimball,	Long,
Packard,	Park,	Tenney,
Wakefield,	Whitney,	Wood.—15.
NAYS.—Messrs.		
Bird,	Clark, J. W.,	Fletcher,
Fox,	Greeley,	Howe,
Pierce,	Rhodes,	Richardson,
Sproat,	Stearns,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.,	Willcomb.—14.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills,

To authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its road ;

To provide for the construction of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad between the western portal of the Hoosac Tunnel and North Adams ;

To provide for a draw in the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company over Annisquam River in Gloucester ;

To extend the charter of the Beverly Insurance Company ;

Requiring railroad corporations to have an adequate capital stock before beginning to build their roads, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Amherst
College.

The bill to provide for the election of certain trustees of Amherst College by the graduates thereof, was referred to the next General Court.

The bill to legalize the marriage of Elliot W. Ford, and for other purposes, was passed over.

Elliot W. Ford.

The bill to authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek, was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and passed to be engrossed.

Dukes County.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to authorize the construction of narrow gauge railways, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on Railways and refused a third reading.

Narrow gauge railways.

Subsequently Mr. Howe moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby said bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The resolves to establish a normal school in Worcester were read a second and third time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Treasury and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Normal school in Worcester.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports, on the bill to protect the fisheries in Edgartown; and on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the taxation of savings banks; and

Edgartown, fisheries in.

On the petitions of

Taxation of savings banks.

The Boston Board of Trade; and

Boston Board of Trade. Jacob K. Lunt.

Jacob K. Lunt, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report on the petition of the Boston Belting Company, was accepted in concurrence.

Boston Belting Co.

The Senate bill in addition to an act respecting the sale and investment of estates encumbered by contingent remainders, executory devises or powers of appointment, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sale and investment of estates.

Sent down for-concurrence.

The House bills,

Bills.

To apportion and assess a tax of 2,500,000 dollars;

Concerning the sale of real estate by executors and trustees in certain cases;

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Worcester with pure water, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill to provide for a union passenger station and for the removal of railroad tracks from certain public

Union passenger station in Worcester.

ways and grounds in the city of Worcester, was read a third time, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Harbor of
Boston, and
the Com-
monwealth's
flats therein.

The bill in addition to certain acts for the improvement of the harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein, was read a third time, and the vote whereby the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Collins was rejected, was reconsidered, and the same was thereupon amended, and the question then recurring on the adoption thereof, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Boardman,
Collins,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Wakefield,	Willcomb,	Wood.—9.
NAYS. —Messrs. Bird,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Howe,	Kimball,
Long,	Packard,	Pierce,
Safford,	Stearns,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.—18.		

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Collins moved to strike out the 3d and 4th sections of the bill, and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Clark, A. J.,
Collins,	Crosby,	Frost,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Howe,
Pierce,	Wakefield.—11.	
NAYS. —Messrs. Bird,	Caswell,	Kimball,
Long,	Packard,	Safford,
Stearns,	Whitney.—8.	

So the amendment was adopted, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ashburn-
ham Water
Co.

Railroad
crossings,
protection of
travellers at.

Betterments.

The bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The bill for the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings was considered, and the amendment proposed thereto by the House was adopted in concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill in relation to betterments passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table and carried in the negative, so the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to the subject, reported Trustee process.

A bill concerning the trustee process.

The same senator, from the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, reported Boston, Hartford and Erie R. R. Co.

A bill concerning said company.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the order relative to the subject, reported Record of Massachusetts officers and soldiers.

A resolve concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers in the late war; and these bills and resolves were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on Expenditures, on the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted. Alien passengers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The same senator, from the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, reported, *in part*, Railroads.

A bill to enable the purchasers of any railroad sold under judicial decree or otherwise, to operate the same; and the same was referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to forbidding any judge of police, municipal or district court from practising in the courts of the Commonwealth, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Prohibiting judges of certain courts to practice in the courts of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Fletcher, from the committee on Printing, on the order relative to printing extra copies of the "return of the number of females taxed in the state," reported that the order ought not to be adopted, and the report was accepted, and the order accordingly rejected. Returns of the number of females taxed in the state.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M. Adjournment.

On motion of the same senator, the 18th Rule of the Senate requiring the Clerk to retain all papers until the right of reconsideration has expired, was rescinded. Reconsideration.

Acts laid
before the
Governor.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

For the preservation of deer.

To change the location of the Exchange Insurance Company.

Concerning pilotage.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 20, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Minor children.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the order relative to the indenturing of children supported as paupers, reported

A bill concerning minor children supported by cities and towns, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Boston and
W. Roxbury.

An engrossed bill to amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook, came up amended by adding at the end of section 1 the following words: "section 8 of chapter 223 of the Acts of the year 1868 is hereby repealed," and, under a suspension of the rule, the Senate concurred therein.

Corporations, fees
paid by.

A bill relating to the fees paid by corporations under chapter 224 of the Acts of 1870, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Women's
Economic
Garden
Homestead
League.

An engrossed bill to incorporate the Women's Economical Garden Homestead League (which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Narrow
gauge rail-
ways.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to authorize the construction of narrow gauge railways was refused a third reading, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Boardman,
Greeley,
Kimball,
Tenney,
Whiting.—16.

Bartholomew,
Collins,
Hawes,
Monroe,
Thayer, A.,

Bird,
Goodman,
• Howe,
Rhodes,
Wakefield,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Long,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Safford,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Willcomb.—16.		

The President voting in the affirmative, the vote was reconsidered, and the question then recurring on ordering said bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bird,
Collins,	Elliot,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Howe,	Monroe,
Rhodes,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Whitney.—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Hawes,
Long,	Packard,	Park,
Pierce,	Richardson,	Safford,
Sproat,	Stickney,	Thayer, S.,
Willcomb.—16.		

So the bill was again refused a third reading.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester County Mechanics' Association, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

To authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its road;

To provide for the construction of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad between the western portal of the Hoosac Tunnel and North Adams;

To extend the charter of the Beverly Insurance Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company was further considered. Mr. Greeley moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. A. J. Clark was adopted, and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Ashburnham Water Co.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Caswell,
Collins,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Kimball,
Long,	Safford,	Tenney,
Wakefield.—13.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird, Clark, A. J., Clark, J. W.,
Hawes, Packard, Pierce,
Richardson, Stickney, Thayer, S,
Whiting, Whitney.—11.

So the vote was reconsidered.

The question then recurring on the adoption of said amendment, it was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates, Bird, Boardman,
Clark, A. J., Clark, J. W., Hawes,
Howe, Packard, Pierce,
Richardson, Stickney, Thayer, S,
Whiting, Whitney.—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Caswell, Collins,
Elliot, Fletcher, Goodman,
Greeley, Kimball, Long,
Safford, Tenney, Wakefield.—12.

So the amendment was again adopted and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Railroad
police.

The report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill to provide for a railroad police, and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations, was accepted in concurrence.

James L.
Butman.

The Senate report on the petition of James L. Butman, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Prohibiting
justices of
certain
courts from
practising in
the courts of
the Common-
wealth.
School ship.
Bills.

The Senate report on the order in relation to providing that no justice of a police, municipal or district court shall practise in the court of the Commonwealth, was accepted.

The House report on the order relative to the sale of the school ship George M. Barnard, was accepted in concurrence.

The bills,

Concerning the trustee process ;

To repeal section 51 of chapter 26 of the General Statutes, concerning smallpox ; and

Barnard O.
Marchant.

The resolve in favor of Barnard O. Marchant, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Dexter S.
King.

The resolve on the petition of Dexter S. King was considered.

Whereupon, Mr. Richardson proposed as a substitute therefor, the report of a minority of the committee, the same being that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Collins,	Fletcher,
Kimball,	Long,	Monroe,
Packard,	Pierce,	Richardson,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stearns,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,	Whiting.—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,	Bird,	Fox,
Goodman,	Rhodes,	Tenney,
Wakefield.—7.		

So the report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted.

Subsequently, Mr. Rhodes moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the report was accepted, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The orders of the day were laid on the table.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Attorney-General in relation to the "Hutchinson Papers," so called, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed Hutchinson Papers.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, to whom was recommended the resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court. John S. Eldridge et als.

The same senator, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order of inquiry as to whether Henry Emery, being under sentence of imprisonment by the Senate, can be legally admitted to bail, reported "that in the opinion of the committee, the court in admitting said Emery to bail had no intention of encroaching upon the privileges or prerogatives of the Senate, or in any way obstructing the free exercise of the power necessary to the proper discharge of its duties." Henry Emery.

And these reports were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The same senator, from the same committee, reported the House bill concerning the division of flats, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading. Division of flats.

Papers from the House.

A bill in addition to an act for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading. Green Harbor marsh.

A bill to establish a better system of police (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject; sundry orders relative thereto; the annual report of the state con- Police.

stable ; and the memorial of J. C. Lovejoy), was read and ordered to a second reading.

A motion was made to reconsider the vote whereby the bill in addition to certain acts for the improvement of the Harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein passed to be engrossed ; and the same was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 22, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

Green Har-
bor marsh.

The bill in addition to the act for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes, was discharged from the orders of the day, read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To amend an act relating to the State Visiting Agency and juvenile offenders (in a new draft);

To establish the city of Gloucester (on the petition of the inhabitants of the town); and

Half-time
schools.

A resolve in relation to half-time schools, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Dartmouth,
shell-fish in,
protection
of.

A bill for the protection of shell-fish in the town of Dartmouth, was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading.

South Bay.

A report of the committee on conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, in relation to the bill for the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, the same recommending that the House concur in the amendment of the Senate, was accepted in concurrence.

Labor.

A report of the joint special committee on Labor, referring the petition of the Boston Eight Hour League to the next General Court ; and

Concerning
the removal
of glass from
Doric Hall.

A report of the committee on the State House, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order relative to the removal of the panes of glass in Doric Hall in front of the statue of Washington and the battle-flags, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Intoxicating
liquors.

The Senate bill in addition to an act concerning the man-

ufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Subsequently, Mr. Thayer of Worcester moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the Senate concurred therein, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

The following order was read and laid on the table :—

Fisheries.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations be requested to consider what effect the "Treaty of Washington" will have upon the interests of Massachusetts, and particularly upon the fisheries, and propose such action of the Legislature as may be deemed expedient.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the House, announcing that the Senate bills,

In relation to divorce;

Divorce.

To incorporate the Worcester Real Estate and Building Association, had been rejected by that branch.

Worcester
Real Estate
and Building
Association.
Intoxicating
liquors.

Mr. Hawes, from the committee on Intoxicating Liquors, on the message from the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the State Liquor Commissioner, reported

A bill in further addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolves

Bills and resolves.

For supplying breech-loading arms to the Volunteer Militia ;

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau ;

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house ;

Mr. Stickney, from the same committee, on the bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate for the county of Norfolk ; and

The resolve in relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council ; and

Mr. Whitney, from said committee, on the bills,

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts ;

Concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts, severally reported that the same ought to pass ; and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Greeley, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the bill for supplying the town of West Roxbury with pure water, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the

West Rox-
bury, pure
water in.

next General Court; and the report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Hutchinson
Papers.

The message from the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Attorney-General respecting the Hutchinson Papers, so called, was taken from the table and committed to the committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report a bill in accordance with the recommendations of the Governor.

Dexter S.
King.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the report on the petition of Dexter S. King was accepted, the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs Bird,	Crosby,	Goodman,
Tenney.—4.		
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Caswell,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Fletcher,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Monroe,
Packard,	Pierce,	Safford,
Sproat,	Stickney,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Wood.—22.		

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

School ship
George M.
Barnard.

The report on the order relative to the discontinuance of the school ship George M. Barnard was considered.

Mr. Rhodes proposed for said report a bill to authorize the discontinuance of the use of the vessel of the Massachusetts Nautical School and the sale thereof; and the question on the adoption thereof was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Caswell,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fox,	Hawes,	Howe,
Rhodes,	Stickney,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.—14.	
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Fletcher,
Frost,	Greeley,	Kimball,
Long,	Monore,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Safford,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Willcomb,
Wood.—19.		

So the substitute was rejected and the report was accepted.

Subsequently, Mr. Crosby moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the substitute was rejected, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills.

The bills,

To legalize the marriage of Elliot W. Ford, and for other purposes ;

Concerning minor children supported by cities and towns ;

Concerning the division of flats ; and

The resolve concerning the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

The House bill requiring railroad corporations to have an adequate capital stock before beginning to build their roads ; and

Railroads.

The House resolves in favor of Barnard C. Marchant, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Barnard C.
Marchant.

The Senate bill relating to the trustee process, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Trustee
process.

Sent down for concurrence.

The orders of the day were laid on the table.

Mr. Bird gave notice that he should propose as a substitute for the report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery and the legality of his being admitted to bail, a bill relative to bail in cases of commitment by the Governor and Council, and the Senate and House of Representatives ; and said bill was ordered to be printed.

Henry
Emery.

A communication was received from James Laurie, late consulting engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel, transmitting certain reports of his upon the subject, alleged to have been omitted in the printing of certain copies ordered by the Senate.

James
Laurie, late
consulting
engineer on
the Hoosac
Tunnel.

Referred to the committee on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, on leave introduced a bill to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of 1871, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

District
Courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.
Winthrop
Railroad.

Mr. Howe, on leave, introduced a bill to extend the time for the location and construction of the Winthrop Railroad, and the same was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the message of the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Attorney-General respecting the Hutchinson Papers, reported thereon

Hutchinson
Papers.

A resolve relating to the subject ; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

The Sergeant-at-Arms came in and delivered to the President the warrant for the arrest of Henry Emery with his return thereon, and said return is as follows, to wit :—

Henry
Emery, re-
turn of war-
rant for
arrest of.

BOSTON, May 22, 1871.

By virtue of the within warrant I took the body of the within-named Henry Emery, and in obedience to a writ of habeas corpus, issued out of and returnable before the supreme judicial court on the 4th day of May, 1871, produced said Emery before said court, by whose order said Emery was discharged from my custody this 22d day of May, 1871.

On motion of Mr. Fox,—

Benjamin F.
Goddard,
warrant for
arrest of.

Whereas, on the 18th of April, 1871, under an order of the Senate, the President thereof issued his warrant, commanding the Sergeant-at-Arms to arrest Benjamin F. Goddard of Lowell, and have his body at the bar of the Senate to answer as for a contempt.

It is now therefore,

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to make no service upon said warrant, but return the same to the Senate.

Ezekiel
Johnson,
Report of
the commit-
tee on the
State Police,
concerning
arrest of.
Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.

On motion of Mr. Fox, the report of the committee on the State Police, in relation to the arrest of Ezekiel Johnson, was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the President and Fellows of Harvard College to extend their wharf in Cambridge.

To enable the city of Newburyport and the towns of Amesbury and Salisbury to take stock in the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Concerning appeals in civil actions before the municipal court of the city of Boston.

In addition to an act to incorporate the town of Ayer.

In addition to an act to prevent the obstruction of highways by railroad corporations.

Concerning actions of tort by and against married women.

In addition to an act for the establishment of true meridian lines and for regulating the practice of surveying in this state.

To authorize the county commissioners of Bristol County to remodel or rebuild the jail at Taunton or erect a new one.

To increase the salaries of the clerks of the police courts of Haverhill and Fall River.

Resolves
passed, and
to Governor.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

In favor of William A. Kenrick.

In favor of William Washburn and Son.

In favor of William S. Shurtleff.
 In favor of Henry J. Coolidge.
 In favor of Mary J. Landers.
 In favor of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the resolve concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers in the late war, was read a second time, amended, and recommitted with instructions to report the same in a new draft.

Record of
Massachu-
setts officers
and soldiers.

The bill to establish a better system of police, was read a second time and amended.

Mr. Willcomb moved to strike out the word "seventy," and insert instead thereof, the words "one hundred," in the provision fixing the number of the force, and the question on the adoption thereof was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Bird,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Greeley,
Rhodes,	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting,	Willcomb.—15.
NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Fox,	Howe,	Kimball,
Long,	Monroe,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Safford,
Tenney,	Wood.—14.	

The President voting in the negative, the motion was lost.

A motion was made to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment was rejected, but before taking the question thereon, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 23, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Papers from the House.

The bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad and to change the name of the corporation, came up concurred, with an amendment, and the same was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
R. R. Co.

A resolve in favor of the Worcester Manufacturers' Insurance Company (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester
Manufactur-
ers' Mutual
Ins. Co.

Alien pas-
sengers.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, on the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, came up concurred in the acceptance thereof, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, on the question of ordering to a third reading.

Settlement
of paupers.

Mr. Tenney, on leave, introduced a bill concerning the settlement of paupers, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills enact-
ed, and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

In addition to an act to incorporate the East Walpole Branch Railroad Company.

In relation to the appointment of trustees in certain cases.

To extend the time for locating the extension of the Cape Cod Railroad.

For the better protection of travellers at railroad crossings.

To amend an act authorizing the Winnisimmet Ferry Company to widen their slip in Boston and to take land therefor.

Respecting the sale and investment of estates incumbered by contingent remainders, executory devises or powers of appointment.

In addition to an act for supplying the city of Worcester with pure water.

In addition to an act concerning sewers and drains in the city of Worcester.

To provide for a draw in the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company over Annisquam River in Gloucester.

Concerning sales of real estate by executors and trustees in certain cases.

To authorize the appointment of a clerk of the district court of Southern Berkshire.

To authorize the Old Colony and Newport Railway Company to construct a branch in the 16th ward of Boston, and concerning the Shawmut Railroad Company.

To confirm certain acts done by Augustus Russ as justice of the peace.

To amend an act to authorize the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to improve Stony Brook and its tributaries.

To extend the charter of the Beverly Insurance Company.

To fix the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner.

To fix the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire.

The following engrossed resolves (the first four of which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves
passed, and
to Governor.

To provide for a revision of the laws relating to attendance upon the public schools.

In relation to the traffic across Charles and Miller's Rivers and Fort Point Channel.

In favor of the trustees under the will of William Winthrop.

On the petition of John A. Lowell and others for confirmation of a deed and title under it.

To establish and maintain a school at the Hoosac Tunnel.

Concerning state prisons for women.

In favor of Adeline V. Stevens.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills, Bills.

For the protection of shell fisheries in the town of Dartmouth;

Concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts; and

The resolves, Resolves.

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau;

In relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council;

For supplying breech-loading arms to the volunteer militia;

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate resolve relative to the Hutchinson Papers, Hutchinson
Papers. was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate refused to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment proposed by the House to the bill in addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was adopted in concurrence. Intoxicating
liquors.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the report on the order relative to selling the school ship George M. Barnard was accepted, was passed over. School ship.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Ashburn-
ham Water
Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve concerning the Boston, Hartford and Boston,
Hartford

and Erie
R. R. Co.

Erie Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Division of
flats.

The House bill concerning the division of flats, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

West Rox-
bury.

The Senate report on the bill for supplying the town of West Roxbury with pure water, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Labor.

The House reports, on the petition of the Boston Eight Hour League; and

Removal of
glass in
Doric Hall.

On the order relative to the removal of the glass in front of the statue of Washington in Doric Hall, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Police.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill to establish a better system of police, the question being on the reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment proposed yesterday by Mr. Willcomb, striking out the word "seventy" and inserting instead thereof, the words, "one hundred" was rejected, that question was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Bradley,	Crosby,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Thayer, A.,
Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Willcomb.—16.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Boardman,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
Fox,	Kimball,	Long,
Packard,	Park,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Safford,	Sproat,
Stickney,	Tenney,	Wood.—15.

And the President voting in the negative the Senate refused to reconsider.

Ib.

Mr. Crosby proposed an amendmont to the 7th section, in relation to proceedings when petitions are presented to the commissioners for the assignment of one or more constables to special duty in any city or town, and the question on this amendment was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,
Crosby,	Fletcher,	Frost,
Goodman,	Hawes,	Rhodes,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,
Wakefield,	Whiting.—17.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Boardman,	Caswell,	Fox,
Greeley,	Kimball,	Long,
Monroe,	Packard,	Park,

NAYS.—Messrs. Pierce, Safford, Sproat,
Stickney, Willcomb, Wood.—15.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Willcomb proposed an amendment to the bill, viz. :— Polloe.
strike out the word “seventy,” and insert the word “eighty,”
and the question on this amendment was taken by yeas and
nays, as follows, to wit :—

YEAS. —Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Bradley,	Crosby,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Greeley,
Hawes,	Rhodes,	Safford,
Thayer, A,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Willcomb.—18.
NAYS. —Messrs. Boardman,	Caswell,	Clark, J. W.,
Fox,	Goodman,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Park,
Pierce,	Sproat,	Stickney,
Tenney,	Wood.—14.	

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bird moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment proposed by Mr. Tenney was adopted, pending the consideration of which, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Mr. Pierce, from the committee on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, to whom was referred the communication from James Laurie, late Consulting Engineer of the Hoosac Tunnel, reported that by accident certain reports from that officer were not included in those ordered to be printed by the Senate, and the report was accepted, and the said additional reports were ordered to be printed as a supplement to the former.

James Laurie, late Consulting Engineer on the Hoosac Tunnel.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill concerning the settlement of paupers, without amendment, and the same in a new draft.

Settlement of paupers.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, from the same committee, submitted a similar report upon the bill to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of 1871, and it was ordered to a second reading.

District courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire.

A communication was received from the Hon. Martin Brimmer, transmitting the annual report of the Trustees of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Museum of Comparative Zoölogy.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of the morning session was read.

Record of
Massachu-
setts officers
and soldiers.

Mr. Fox, from the committee on Military Affairs, to whom was recommitteed the resolve concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers in the late war, reported the same in a new draft.

South River,
in Marsh-
field.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Thomas J. Tolman and others, reported *further* thereon

A bill to authorize the construction of dams across South River in the town of Marshfield; and this bill and resolve were severally ordered to a second reading.

Police.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill to establish a better system of police, the question being on the reconsideration of the vote whereby the amendment proposed by Mr. Tenney was adopted, and the question being taken, it was carried in the affirmative, and the amendment was then amended and adopted.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,	Elliot,	Fletcher,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Hawes,	Monroe,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Stickney,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Willcomb.—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Crosby,	Fox,	Kimball,
Park,	Pierce,	Sproat,
Wood.—10.		

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

John S.
Eldridge et
als., enforce-
ment of the
bond of.

The report referring the resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth to the next General Court, was next considered.

Mr. Bird proposed as a substitute for said report, the resolve above mentioned, and the question on the motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bates,	Bird,
Boardman,	Caswell,	Elliot,
Howe,	Long,	Monroe,
Park,	Tenney,	Thayer, A.,
Wood.—13.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Frost,
Goodman,	Hawes,	Kimball,
Packard,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Stickney,	Wakefield,
Whiting.—13.		

The President voting in the affirmative, the substitute was adopted and ordered to a second reading.

Subsequently, Mr. Crosby moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the substitute was adopted, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The report on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery and the legality of his being admitted to bail was considered. Henry Emery, imprisonment of.

Mr. Bird proposed as a substitute for the report, a bill relating to bail in cases of commitment by the Governor and Council and the Senate and House of Representatives, and the question on the adoption of the substitute was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Frost,	Howe,
Long,	Monroe,	Pierce,
Rhodes,	Tenney,	Whiting.—9.
NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Clark, J. W.,	Fletcher,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Packard,
Park,	Safford,	Stickney,
Wakefield,	Willcomb,	Wood.—15.

So the substitute was rejected and the report accepted.

The bills,

Bills.

In further addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate for the county of Norfolk ;

To establish the city of Gloucester ;

To extend the time for the location of the Winthrop Railroad ;

Concerning the settlement of paupers ; and

The resolve in favor of the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Worcester County Manufacturers' Mutual Ins. Co. District courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of 1871, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The resolve in relation to half-time schools, was read a second time, amended by striking out the words "Bureau of Statistics of Labor," and inserting instead thereof, the words "Board of Education," and ordered to a third reading.

Half-time schools.

The bills,

Bills.

To amend an act relating to the State Visiting Agency and juvenile offenders ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts, were severally read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading.

Smallpox.

The bill to repeal section 51 of chapter 26 of the General Statutes, concerning smallpox ; and

School ship.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the report on the order relative to the sale of the school ship George M. Barnard was accepted, were severally passed over.

Alien passengers.

The bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, was assigned for consideration to-morrow at 11½ o'clock, A. M.

Boston, Barre and Gardner R. R. Co.

The bill to extend the time for constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, and to change the name of the corporation, was assigned for consideration to-morrow at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Elliot W. Ford.

The Senate bill to legalize the marriage of Elliot W. Ford, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Minor children.

The Senate bill concerning minor children supported by cities and towns, was read a third time, amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills,

For the protection of shell fisheries in the town of Dartmouth ;

Concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts ; and

Resolves.

The House resolves,

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau ;

In relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council ;

For supplying breech-loading arms to the volunteer militia ;

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Harbor of Boston, and Commonwealth's flats therein.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill in addition to certain acts for the improvement of the harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table, and the same was by leave of the Senate withdrawn.

Dexter S. King.

Mr. Thayer of Worcester, on leave, introduced a resolve in favor of Dexter S. King, and the same was read three

times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The order relative to the fisheries of Massachusetts, was taken from the table, considered and again laid on the table.

Treaty of
the United
States and
Great
Britain.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 24, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday afternoon was read.

Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, on the special report of the Prison Commission ; and

Prison Com-
mission.

On the order relative to amendment of the 370th chapter of the Acts of last year, relative to the appointment of Commissioners of Prisons and for the classification and better discipline of prisoners, reported that on these subjects it is inexpedient to legislate ; and the same being considered were accepted.

Classification
of prisoners.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A resolve concerning certain Berdell bonds held by the Commonwealth (on the Governor's address) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Berdell
bonds.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Holyoke and
Northamp-
ton Boom
and Lumber
Co.
Falmouth.

A bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands and flats in Falmouth, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, relative to the enforcement of the provisions of chapter 288 of the Acts of 1864, relative to insane persons in lunatic hospitals, referring the further consideration thereof to the next General Court, was accepted in concurrence.

Insane per-
sons.

The bill to authorize the construction of drains across South River in the town of Marshfield, was discharged from the orders of the day, read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

South River
in Marsh-
field.

Sent down for concurrence.

John S.
Eldridge et
als., enforce-
ment of
bond of.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein, being the motion to reconsider the vote by which the resolve relating to the enforcement of the bond of John S. Eldridge and others to the Commonwealth was substituted for the report of the committee relative to the subject, the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Boardman,	Clark, J. W.,
Collins,	Crosby,	Fletcher,
Goodman,	Greeley,	Packard,
Park,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Willcomb.—17.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Bird,	Caswell,
Long,	Monroe,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.—7.		

So the motion was carried in the affirmative, and thereupon the resolve was rejected and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Henry
Emery.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery was accepted, was assigned for consideration to to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Intoxicating
liquors.

The Senate bill in further addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Winthrop
Railroad.

The Senate bill to extend the time for the location and construction of the Winthrop Railroad, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Settlement
of paupers.

The Senate bill concerning the settlement of paupers, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

State Visit-
ing Agency.

The House bill to amend an act relating to the State Visiting Agency and juvenile offenders, was read a third time, as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Second clerk
of the Audit-
or of Ac-
counts.

The House bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts, was read a third time, and

amended in the title by inserting therein the words, "and the second clerk of the Treasurer and Receiver-General," and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House resolve in relation to half-time schools, was read a third time, as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Half-time schools.

Came up concurred.

The House bills,

Bills.

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate for the county of Norfolk ;

To establish the city of Gloucester ; and

The House resolve in favor of the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Co.

The resolve concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers in the late war, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, amended and passed to be engrossed.

Record of Massachusetts officers and soldiers.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to establish a better system of police, was read a third time, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit :—

Police.

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates;
Bradley,	Clark, J. W.,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Monroe,
Rhodes,	Safford,	Tenney,
Thayer,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Whitney,	Willcomb.—20.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,	Boardman,	Caswell,
Collins,	Crosby,	Long,
Packard,	Park,	Pierce,
Sproat,	Wood.—11.	

So the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The bill to repeal section 51 of chapter 26 of the General Statutes, concerning smallpox, was further considered and rejected.

Smallpox.

The Senate refused to reconsider the vote whereby the report on the order relative to selling the school ship George M. Barnard was accepted.

School ship.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving

Alien passengers.

in regular lines of communication, and the same was amended and ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, Mr. Goodman moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Monroe moved a suspension of the rule requiring the motion to be placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon; pending the consideration of this motion

The Senate

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of the morning session was read.

Prisons. Mr. Thayer of Berkshire, from the committee on Prisons, submitted a report on the general condition of those institutions, and the same was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Law library societies. Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Education, to whom was referred the order relative to the subject, reported
A bill to provide for furnishing certain documents to the law library societies in each county, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Falmouth. Mr. Wakefield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands and flats in Falmouth, without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Concerning the operation of railroads sold under judicial decree. Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, on the bill to enable the purchasers of any railroad sold under judicial decree or otherwise to operate the same, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on the question of rejection.

Railroad system of the state. Mr. Frost, on leave, introduced a resolve creating a committee of inquiry in relation to the defects in the railroad system of the state, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Freight charges on railroads. The bill to regulate freight charges on railroads, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state. The Senate bill concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state, came up concurred, with certain amendments, and the same were rejected and the bill was returned to the House.

A bill to establish the salaries of extra clerks in the Adjutant-General's department, was read and, under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading.

Adjutant-General's department, clerks in.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to extend the time for constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, and to change the name of the corporation, the question being on concurring in the adoption of certain amendments proposed thereto by the House, and it was determined as follows, to wit:—

Boston, Barre and Gardner R. R. Co.

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Bird, Crosby,
Frost, Howe, Kimball,
Monroe, Safford, Thayer, A.,
Wakefield, Whiting, Whitney.—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Bates, Boardman,
Bradley, Elliot, Fletcher,
Collins, Caswell, Clark, J. W.,
Greeley, Hawes, Long,
Park, Rhodes, Sproat,
Tenney, Willcomb, Wood.—18.

So the Senate refused to concur in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that all committees of the Legislature be, and hereby are required to report upon all matters hitherto referred to them, during or before the morning session of the 25th instant.

Requiring all committees to report.

A bill concerning foreign express companies, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Foreign express companies.

Subsequently, Mr. Wakefield, from said committee, reported the bill without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

A resolve in favor of George Rice (from the House) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

George Rice.

Subsequently, Mr. Stickney from said committee, reported the resolve without amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.

The order in relation to the Treaty of Washington, so far as the same relates to the fisheries, was taken from the table and referred in concurrence to the committee on Federal Relations.

Treaty of the United States and Great Britain.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate resumed the consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication was ordered to a third reading, and the question thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Alien passengers.

YEAS.—Messrs. Bates, Pierce,	Bird, Rhodes,	Crosby, Stickney.—6.
NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood, Bradley, Elliot, Kimball, Park, Thayer, S., Howe,	Bartholomew, Caswell, Fletcher, Long, Safford, Wakefield, Wood.—20.	Boardman, Collins, Frost, Monroe, Tenney, Willcomb,

So the Senate refused to reconsider, and the bill was then read a third time, further amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Berdell
bonds.

The resolve concerning certain Berdell bonds held by the Commonwealth, was read a second time, amended and ordered to a third reading, and ordered to be printed as amended.

Bills enacted,
and laid be-
fore the Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the Essex Branch Railroad Company to mortgage its road.

To regulate the fees payable by corporations under chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1870.

In addition to an act for the improvement of Green Harbor marsh in the town of Marshfield, and for other purposes.

To provide for a union passenger station, and for the removal of railroad tracks from certain public ways and grounds in the city of Worcester.

To provide for the construction of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad between the western portal of the Hoosac Tunnel and North Adams.

Normal
school in
Worcester.

An engrossed resolve to establish a normal school in Worcester (which originated in the House), passed, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Bills enact-
ed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester Mechanics' Association.

In addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Concerning the division of flats.

Concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts.

For the protection of shell-fish in the town of Dartmouth.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed, to wit:—

Resolves passed.

To provide for the erection of a building for the harmless and incurable insane at the state almshouse at Tewksbury.

In favor of Barnard C. Marchant.

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau.

For supplying breech-loading arms to the volunteer militia.

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house.

In relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council.

The Sergeant-at-Arms came in and delivered to the President the warrant for the arrest of Benjamin F. Goddard, with the following return thereon:—

Benjamin F. Goddard, return of warrant for arrest of.

Boston, May 23, 1871.

In obedience to the order of the Senate of May 22d, the within warrant is returned to the Senate without service.

On motion of Mr. Bird,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Adjournment.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 25, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday afternoon was read.

Papers from the House.

The House bill to establish a better system of police, came up and the House concurs in the amendments proposed thereto by the Senate, with the exception of that fixing the number of officers, and that in relation to the assignment of officers to special duty at the request of cities and towns in certain cases; and the Senate receded from said amendments.

Police.

The Senate bill concerning street railway corporations, came up concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

Street railway corporations.

A bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

Probate
courts.

A bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Auditor's de-
partment,
salary of
second clerk
of.

The House bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor's office, came up non-concurred in the Senate amendment in relation to the salary of the second clerk of the Treasurer's office, and the Senate *insisted* thereon, and the bill was returned to the House.

First District
Court of
Southern
Worcester.

A bill to establish the first district court of Southern Worcester (being a new draft of the Senate bill in relation thereto); and

Sealing of
weights and
measures.

A bill in relation to the sealing of weights and measures, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Compensa-
tion of chap-
lains, &c.,
of Senate
and House
of Repre-
sentatives.

A resolve for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages, and for the preacher of the election sermon, was read and, under a suspension of the rule, ordered to a second reading.

Law library
societies.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the Senate bill to provide for the furnishing of certain documents to the law library societies in each county, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills,

To cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain land and flats in Falmouth;

Concerning express companies not incorporated or organized in this State; and

George Rice.

The resolve in favor of George Rice, were severally read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Berdell
bonds.

The House resolve concerning certain Berdell bonds held by the Commonwealth, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Operation of
railroads
sold under
judicial
decree.

The bill to enable the purchasers of any railroad sold under judicial decree or otherwise, to operate the same, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Prisons.

The report of the committee on Prisons, on the general condition of those institutions, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill to establish the salaries of certain extra clerks in the Adjutant-General's department, was read a second time and refused a third reading. Adjutant-General's department.

Subsequently, Mr. Willcomb moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery and the legality of his being admitted to bail was accepted, and the same was carried in the affirmative; and Mr. Monroe proposed as a substitute for said report certain resolves in relation to the powers of the Senate, and the subject was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon. Henry Emery.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bill concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the State, came up, and the House *insists* on its amendments therein, and Messrs. Adams of Quincy, Cogswell of Salem and Woodbury of Boston are appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses. Railroads.

And thereupon the Senate *insisted* on its non-concurrence, and Messrs. Howe, Bird and Collins are appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

The bill to extend the time for constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad and to change the name of the corporation, came up, and the House *insists* on its amendments therein, and Messrs. Sanford of Taunton, Kellogg of Pittsfield and Phillips of Salem are appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses. Boston, Barre and Gardner R. R. Co.

And thereupon the Senate *insisted* on its non-concurrence, and Messrs. Thayer of Berkshire, Willcomb and Boardman are appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

A bill in relation to the taxation of bank shares, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Taxation of bank shares.

The Senate resolve concerning the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, came up amended by substituting the following for a title: "Resolve concerning the bonds of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company;" and the Senate concurred therein. Boston, Hartford and Erie R. R. Co.

Massachu-
setts Agri-
cultural Col-
lege.

A bill to amend the act incorporating the Massachusetts Agricultural College (on the Governor's address) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Ib.

A resolve in relation to the Massachusetts Agricultural College (on the same) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Guardians.

Mr. Bartholomew, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the House bill relating to the appointment of guardians, reported that said bill ought not to pass, and the report being considered was accepted, and the bill accordingly rejected.

James H.
Look.

Mr. Fox, from the joint special committee on the State Police, on the petition of James H. Look, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,—

Museum of
Comparative
Zoölogy.

Ordered, That 2,000 extra copies of the annual report of the Trustees of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy be printed, and the same be placed at the disposal of Prof. Louis Agassiz.

Bills enacted,
and laid be-
fore the Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the city of Worcester to establish a city hospital.

To provide for a railroad police and for the better protection of passengers upon railroad trains and at railroad stations.

Requiring railroad corporations to have an adequate stock before beginning to build their roads.

To apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 dollars.

To authorize the expenditure of money for educational purposes in the state prison.

For the improvement of navigation in South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines.

The following acts were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To incorporate the Boston Coöperative Building Company.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Worcester County Mechanics' Association.

In addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Concerning the division of flats.

Concerning the use of the jail at Greenfield for female convicts.

For the protection of shell fisheries in the town of Dartmouth.

Also, the following resolves, to wit:—

In favor of Barnard C. Marchant.

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau.

For supplying breech-loading arms to the Volunteer Militia.

Providing for repairs and improvements in and around the state house.

In relation to the compensation of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council.

Adjourned.

Resolves laid
before the
Governor.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of the morning session was read.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in relation to the unexpended balance of the scrip issued in aid of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, reported the same in a new draft; and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston,
Hartford and
Erie R. R.
Co.

Mr. Rhodes, on leave, introduced a bill to reduce the capital stock of the Taunton Street Railway Company, and the same was read and sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Taunton
Street Rail-
way Co.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Safford, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on the bill to confirm certain proceedings in the probate courts; and

Probate
courts.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year and for other purposes, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Appropriations.

Mr. Crosby, from the committee on the Treasury, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the finances; and

Reports.

Mr. Collins, from the committee on Harbors, on the annual report of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, severally reported that no further legislation is necessary thereon.

Mr. Bird, from the committee on Railways, submitted a similar report on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, and these were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills.

Bills,

To authorize railroad corporations to guarantee the bonds of connecting railroads (on the order in relation to the subject);

In addition to an act relating to the increase of capital stock by corporations, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroad system.

The Senate resolve creating a committee of inquiry in relation to the defects in the railroad system of this State, came up *non concurred* in the reference thereof to the committee on Railways, and thereupon the same was indefinitely postponed.

Information concerning quo warranto.

A bill to amend section 17 of chapter 145 of the General Statutes, concerning information in the nature of *quo warranto*, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Subsequently, Mr. Wakefield, from the committee, reported the bill without amendment, and it was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bedford R. R. Co.

A bill to extend the time for the location of the Bedford Railroad, was received in concurrence, under a suspension of the 17th joint rule.

Boston, Hartford and Erie R. R. Co. and Boston Wharf Co.

A message from the Governor in relation to the redemption of a mortgage of certain flats at South Boston, given by the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company to the Boston Wharf Company, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Mr. Stickney, from the committee on the Treasury, reported the resolve in relation to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, without amendment, and the same was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and the question on ordering the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,
Boardman,
Clark, A. J.,
Elliot,
Goodman,
Packard,
Safford,
Thayer, A.,
Willcomb,

Bartholomew,
Bradley,
Clark, J. W.,
Fletcher,
Greeley,
Park,
Stickney,
Wakefield,
Wood.—26.

Bates,
Caswell,
Crosby,
Fox,
Monroe,
Pierce,
Tenney,
Whiting,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bird,

Howe,

Long.—3.

So the resolve was ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the first matter therein being the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill to establish the salaries of certain extra clerks in the Adjutant-General's department was refused a third reading, the same was carried in the affirmative; and the same was then ordered to a third reading, and, under a suspension of the rule, read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjutant-General's department.

The House bill to establish the first district court of Southern Worcester; and

First district court of Southern Worcester. Compensation of the chaplains, &c., of the Senate and House of Representatives.

The House resolve for the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages, and of the preacher of the election sermon, were severally read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill in relation to the sealing of weights and measures, was read a second time, amended and refused a third reading.

Sealing of weights and measures.

The bill to amend an act incorporating the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The report on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery and the legality of his being admitted to bail was passed over.

Henry Emery.

The House bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, amended by inserting therein a provision for the payment of five hundred dollars to Dexter S. King, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 26, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday afternoon was read.

Mr. Monroe, on leave, introduced a bill to fix the salaries of the justice and clerk of the municipal court for the southern district of Boston, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Municipal court for the Southern District of Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Dogs.

Mr. Bates, from the committee on Agriculture, on the order in relation to the disposition of the money received by county treasurers for licenses under the laws relating to dogs, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Special laws,
distribution
of.

Mr. Willcomb, on leave, introduced a resolve relating to the distribution of certain special laws, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

The House bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, came up non-concurred in the amendment proposed by the Senate therein, and the Senate insisted thereon, and the bill was returned to the House.

Taunton
Street Rail-
way Co.

The bill to reduce the capital stock of the Taunton Street Railway Company came up concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Alien pas-
sengers.

The Senate bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication, came up concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

State tax.

A bill in *addition* to an act to apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 dollars, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Subsequently, Mr. Crosby, from the committee, reported said bill without amendment, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Betterments.

The bill in relation to betterments, came up, and the House concurs in the Senate amendment therein, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Record of
Massachu-
setts officers
and soldiers.

The Senate resolve concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers in the late war, came up concurred, with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

Bedford
R. R. Co.

A bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Bedford Railroad, was read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A report of the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state, the same being that the Senate should concur in the amendment striking out the words "or does any other act or thing which if done in this state would require the express sanction or authority of the Legislature"; and that the House should recede from its amendment inserting the words "subject to be," was accepted in concurrence.

Railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the communication from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture in relation to roads; and on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, was accepted in concurrence.

Roads.

Notice was received from the House, of the rejection, by that branch, of the Senate bill concerning the trustee process.

Trustee process.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Ordered, That the Clerk make up the pay-roll of the Senate for the present session.

Pay-roll.

And the Clerk having reported said pay-roll,

On motion of the same senator, it was

Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to the several senators whose names are borne on the accompanying roll, the sums set against their names respectively, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of thirty thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, and that a warrant be drawn accordingly.

The Senate bill to provide for furnishing certain documents to the law library societies in each county, came up concurred, with certain amendments, which were adopted in concurrence.

Law library societies.

Papers from the House.

A bill relating to criminal proceedings before trial justices; and

Trial justices, criminal proceedings before. Hannah M. Needham.

A resolve in favor of Hannah M. Needham, were severally read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts, came up, and the House insists on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment therein, and Messrs. Burnap of Dunstable, Russell of Malden, and Hurd of Framingham are appointed a committee of conference on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses; and

Second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts.

Thereupon the Senate insisted on its amendment therein, and Messrs. Pierce, Sproat and Fox are appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

Appropriations.

The House bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, came up, and the House insists on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment therein.

And thereupon the Senate insisted on its amendment, and Messrs. Bird, Monroe and Thayer were appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Cogswell of Yarmouth, Baker of Beverly and Sanford of Taunton are joined.

Railroads.

A bill to define the relation of connecting railroads (on the order relative to the subject), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Compensation of the Assistant Clerk of the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of providing by law for compensation for the Assistant Clerk of the Senate, and for clerical assistance of the Clerk of the House during the present session.

Bills.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bills,
To confirm certain proceedings in the probate courts;

To authorize railroad corporations to guarantee the bonds of connecting railroads; and

The resolve in relation to the unexpended balance of the scrip issued in aid of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, were severally read a second and a third time and passed to be engrossed, the first two in concurrence, and the last sent down for concurrence.

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The House bill to amend the acts incorporating the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Increase of capital stock by corporations.

The bill in addition to an act relating to the increase of capital stock by corporations, was read and referred to a special committee, consisting of the committee on the part of the Senate.

Henry Emery.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the imprisonment of Henry Emery, was next considered, the question being on the adoption of the substitute proposed therefor by Mr. Monroe, and said question was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bird,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Clark, A. J.,	Howe,	Long,
Monroe,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Tenney.—10.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartholomew, Boardman, Collins,
Crosby, Elliot, Fletcher,
Fox, Goodman, Greeley,
Park, Safford, Sproat,
Stickney, Thayer, S., Wakefield,
Willcomb, Wood.—17.

So the resolve was rejected and the report was thereupon accepted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which Bills enacted, and to Governor.

originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—
To incorporate the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

To authorize the county commissioners of Dukes County to build a bridge over Menamsha Creek.

To regulate freight charges upon railroads.

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate for the county of Suffolk.

To establish the city of Gloucester.

An engrossed resolve in favor of the Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Company (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval. Worcester Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance Co.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of the morning session was read.

A report of the committee on Federal Relations, that it is inexpedient to legislate on the order respecting the effect of the "Treaty of Washington" on the Massachusetts fisheries, was accepted in concurrence. Treaty of Washington. Fisheries.

Mr. Stickney, on leave, introduced a bill to fix the salary of the justice of the police court of Fall River, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed. Justices of the police court of Fall River.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, from the special committee, to whom was referred the bill in addition to an act relative to the increase of capital stock by corporations, reported the same with certain amendments, and the bill was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Increase of capital stock by corporations.

Came up concurred.

Connecting
railroads.

The orders of the day were taken up, and the bill to define the relation of connecting railroads, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Howe,	Kimball,	Rhodes,
Tenney,	Whiting,	Whitney.—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Boardman,
Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,	Clark, J. W.,
Collins,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Fox,	Hawes,
Long,	Park,	Pierce,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stickney,
Thayer, S.,	Wakefield,	Willcomb,
Wood.—22.		

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Papers from the House.

District
courts of
Northern
and South-
ern Berk-
shire.

A bill to amend chapter 264 of the Acts of 1871, came up concurred, in a new draft, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Subsequently, Mr. Wakefield, from said committee, reported the bill without amendment, and the same was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Railroads.

A resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to report to the next General Court information in regard to certain railroads, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Second
Clerk of the
Auditor of
Accounts.

A report of the committee on conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, on the bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Auditor of Accounts, recommending that the word "second" should be stricken from the bill and the title, and the words "first assistant" inserted instead thereof, was accepted in concurrence.

Boston,
Barre and
Gardner
Railroad.

A report of the committee on conference, on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses in relation to the bill to extend the time for locating and constructing the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, and to authorize certain contracts for the use of other railroads, recommending the adoption of a substitute therefor, was accepted in concurrence.

Assistant
Clerk of
the Senate,
&c., com-
pensation of.

A resolve fixing the compensation of the Assistant Clerk of the Senate and for additional clerical assistance for the Clerk of the House of Representatives (on an order in relation to the subject), was read three times, under a suspension of the

rule, amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Bird, on leave, introduced a resolve concerning the Commonwealth flats near South Boston, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Common-
wealth's
flats near
S. Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

An engrossed bill to establish a better system of police (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Police.

Subsequently a message was sent to the Governor requesting return of said bill to the Senate, and soon after, the same was returned agreeably to the request of the Senate, and thereupon the vote whereby the bill passed to be enacted was reconsidered, and the same was then amended, under a suspension of the rule, and was sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to Shepard Thayer of Adams, the sum of six dollars as mileage at the present session of the Legislature in addition to the sum already provided.

Shepard
Thayer.

Mr. Rhodes, on leave, introduced a resolve to provide for a contingent fund for each branch of the Legislature, and the same was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Contingent
fund.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following engrossed bills (the first fifteen of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted,
and laid be-
fore the
Governor.

Concerning minor children supported by cities and towns.

To extend the time for the location and construction of the Winthrop Railroad.

To authorize the construction of dams across South River in the town of Marshfield.

To legalize the marriage of Elliot W. Ford and for other purposes.

In further addition to an act concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Concerning street railway corporations.

Concerning the settlement of paupers.

To reduce the capital stock of the Taunton Street Railway Company.

To incorporate the Ashburnham Water Company.

To establish the first district court of Southern Worcester.

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the municipal court for the southern district of Boston.

To provide for furnishing certain documents to the law library societies in each county.

In relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication.

Concerning railroad corporations whose roads extend beyond the limits of the state.

To extend the time for the location and construction of the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, and to authorize certain contracts for the use of other railroads.

In relation to betterments.

Concerning express companies not incorporated or organized in this state.

Relating to the taxation of bank shares.

In addition to certain acts for the improvement of the Harbor of Boston and the Commonwealth's flats therein.

To amend section 17 of chapter 145 of the General Statutes concerning information in the nature of *quo warranto*.

To establish the salaries of certain extra clerks in the Adjutant-General's department.

To establish a better system of police.

In addition to an act to apportion and assess a state tax of 2,500,000 dollars.

To establish the salaries of the first assistant clerk of the Auditor of Accounts and of the first assistant clerk of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

To confirm certain proceedings in the probate courts.

To authorize railroad corporations to guarantee the bonds of connecting railroads.

To extend the time for locating and constructing the Bedford Railroad.

Relating to criminal proceedings before trial justices.

To amend the act incorporating the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

To amend chapter 264 of the Acts of the year 1871, relative to the district courts of Northern and Southern Berkshire.

In addition to an act relating to the increase of capital stock by corporations.

The following engrossed resolves (the first seven of which originated in the Senate), passed, and together with the

Resolves
passed, and
laid before

above-named bills (with the exception of the bill in relation ^{the Govern-} to the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad Corporation), were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Relating to the Hutchinson Papers.

Concerning the bonds of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company held by the Commonwealth.

Concerning certain Berdell bonds held by the Commonwealth.

Concerning the publication of the list of Massachusetts officers and soldiers of the late war.

Providing for the distribution of certain special laws.

Directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to report to the next General Court information as to certain railroads.

Concerning the Commonwealth's flats near South Boston.

In favor of George Rice.

For the compensation of the chaplains, doorkeepers, messengers and pages, and for the preacher of the election sermon.

In relation to half-time schools.

In favor of Hannah M. Needham.

In relation to the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

In relation to the unexpended proceeds of the sale of the scrip issued in aid of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company.

Fixing the compensation of the Assistant Clerk of the Senate and for additional clerical assistance to the Clerk of the House.

Mr. Bird, from the committee of conference, on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses in relation to the bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, reported that the committee had been unable to agree, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

And thereupon, a new committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Pierce, Rhodes and Tenney on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Beard of Brookline, Hurd of Framingham and Thompson of Gloucester are appointed on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. Pierce, from the above committee, submitted a similar report on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, and the report was accepted, and Messrs. Crosby, Goodman and Fox were appointed a new committee of conference on the same subject.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. McKim of West Roxbury, Tarbox of Lawrence and Hopkinson of Bradford are joined.

Subsequently, Mr. Crosby, from the committee, reported that no agreement had been made after conference, and they asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Thereupon, Messrs. Howe, Sproat and Long were appointed a new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Phillips of Salem, Dunham of Stockbridge and Bullard of Dedham are joined.

Soon after, Mr. Howe, from the committee, reported that the committee had agreed that the Senate should recede from its amendment in said bill, and the report was laid on the table.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a resolve fixing the compensation of the Sergeant at-Arms and the Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the same was read twice and laid on the table.

Paper from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, amended by inserting at the end of section 1, the following:—

“And there is created a contingent fund of one thousand dollars for each branch of the Legislature, the same to be paid out on the warrant of the Governor in such sum or sums as may be ordered by each branch, such order to be certified by the presiding officer thereof.”

Also by inserting a provision for extra compensation for the assistant messenger of the Governor and Council, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Adjournment.

On motion, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 27, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of yesterday afternoon was read.

A report of the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill relating to the sale and delivery of milk, the same being that the committee are unable to agree, was accepted in concurrence. Sale and delivery of milk.

The House bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, came up *concurred* in the amendment providing for an increase of the salary of the assistant messenger of the Governor and Council, and *non-concurred* in that providing for the establishment of a contingent fund for each branch of the Legislature. Appropriations.

A motion being made that the Senate insist on its amendment and ask for a committee of conference in relation thereto, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Boardman,	Bradley,	Clark, A. J.,
Clark, J. W.,	Crosby,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Frost,	Goodman,
Greeley,	Hawes,	Howe,
Kimball,	Long,	Monroe,
Park,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stickney,
Tenney,	Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,
Whiting,	Whitney,	Willcomb.—30.

NAYS.—None.

So the Senate insisted on its amendments, and Messrs. Monroe, Crosby and Rhodes were appointed a committee of conference, on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses.

Sent down for concurrence. Came up, and Messrs. Sanford of Taunton, Adams of Quincy and Baker of Beverly are joined.

Mr. Collins, Mr. Kimball in the chair, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be tendered to the Hon. Horace H. Coolidge, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of President of this body, assuring him that we shall ever cherish the memory of his uniform grace and courtesy toward every senator, his perfect fairness and unfailing patience, and his skill in the despatch of public business, while we cordially wish him prosperity and happiness in all his public and private business relations: Resolution of thanks to the President.

The President resuming the chair, replied as follows :—

President.

SENATORS :—I can say with all sincerity that my heart is full, touched by the tender words of the resolution, and the still kinder and warmer words of endorsement that have come with it.

It has been my rare good fortune to have been called by the unanimous vote of the Senate, for two successive years, to preside over its deliberations.

Such a vote demanded of me the exercise of every power I was able to give in the performance of the duties of the office.

I set my standard high and have striven to the best of my ability to reach it.

If I have deserved one-half of the kind words coming to me here in this chamber to-day, from all parts of the Commonwealth, I shall feel indeed that I have not wholly failed.

There is no position of greater pleasure in the gift of the people or their representatives than that of the President of the Senate of Massachusetts,—to the honor of the state be it said, that loyalty to its presiding officer is common always in the Massachusetts Legislature.

I expected that, simply from the fact that I held the office, I have received so much more, that I feel deeply grateful, deeply thankful.

During the last session and this, I have received nothing but words of kindness, of courtesy, of confidence, of affection from those over whom I have presided.

Whatever may be my fate in after-life, be assured of this, that I shall look back upon two very happy winters that I have sat in this chair.

Senators, our labors have nearly concluded ; the record of the year is made up ; and as we look back upon it in after-life, I am sure it will be with satisfaction.

If we have not done all that we ought to have done, we certainly have left undone many things that we ought not to have done.

And as the statutes this year are made up, on looking over them, I think we shall come to the conclusion that a good work has been well done, and that we may congratulate ourselves and our constituents that it has not only been well done, but done promptly and faithfully.

I intended, on taking the chair at the beginning of the session, to point out some ways in which the session might be shortened, and I urged upon senators then, and especially upon the chairmen of the joint committees, the great duty which laid upon them to expedite business. It gives me the

most sincere pleasure to say that I believe the senators, as President. chairmen of the committees, have fully and faithfully fulfilled their duties.

In an experience of six years in the Legislature of Massachusetts, I have never known one when the duties of the committees have been more efficiently or promptly performed than in the Legislature of 1871. It is for our constituents to say whether we have done well or ill.

If we have tried, as I believe we have, to do the best we could, we have done our duty. They must judge as they see fit.

And now, senators, we are about to separate. I feel it comes to your hearts as it does to mine, that when the last hour comes, although weariness may have fallen upon us at times, we shall feel a little sadly that we shall never all meet again in this place.

But this I know, that wherever you may go, wherever I may go, kind feelings will follow, and warm affection linger in our hearts towards each other.

We have had the good fortune to serve our state ; and it has always seemed to me that the noblest aspiration a man can have, is the desire to do some good to his state. At least we have tried to do our duty. It may be that we shall never be called upon again, but let us look back with fondness to the past, and teach our children, the duty of a Massachusetts citizen is to serve the dear old Commonwealth with faith and honor. I cannot conclude these wholly unpremeditated remarks, without bearing my testimony to the kindness, courtesy and support I have received from the Clerk of this body. No man can know so well as the President, how much the successful performance of the duties of his office depends upon the support of the Clerk. This has always been given to me in the most cordial manner.

But is there any one connected with the State that has not acted faithfully to us ? I feel there is not.

Thanking you again, from the bottom of my heart, for the compliment I have received, for the kindness and warm affection you have shown me, I wish you every happiness.

Mr. Monroe, from the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, in relation to the bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, again reported that the committee had been unable to agree, and asked to be discharged ; and the report was accepted, and the committee discharged.

Appropriations.

Thereupon, Messrs. Howe, Elliot and Long were appointed a new committee of conference in relation to the matter.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Cogswell, Beard and McKim are joined.

On motion of Mr. Wakefield,—

Resolves relating to the constitutional rights and privileges of the Senate.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to prepare resolutions which shall express the opinion of the Senate on the subject-matter of difference between the two Houses, in relation to the Senate amendments to the appropriation bills.

And Messrs. Wakefield, Monroe and Bird were appointed the committee.

Subsequently, Mr. Monroe, from the above committee, reported resolves relating to the constitutional rights and privileges of the Senate:—

Whereas, The Senate of Massachusetts has passed a resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to the contestant of a seat for the Third Suffolk Senatorial District, which was rejected by the House of Representatives on the report of the committee of finance of that body, on the ground that there was no precedent in this Commonwealth for an appropriation for such purpose;

And whereas, The Senate subsequently proposed the same measure in the form of an amendment to the appropriation bill, and the House of Representatives non-concurred therein;

And whereas, The Senate, with a view to relieving the two branches of the Legislature from the embarrassment of a disagreement on this point, amended a second appropriation bill by the insertion of the following words, to wit, "And there is created a contingent fund of one thousand dollars for each branch of the Legislature, the same to be paid out on the warrant of the Governor in such sum or sums as may be ordered by each branch, such order to be ratified by the presiding officer thereof,"—in which amendment the House non-concurred;

And whereas, The constitution declares that the "Senate shall be the final judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members," and the exercise of that right requires investigation to be made, necessarily involving expenses, it follows that the extent and amount of the same can only be decided by the body ordering such investigation, for the reason that the investigation is made by the Senate alone, and cannot be the subject of official knowledge on the part of the other branch;

It is therefore, Resolved, That in refusing to concur with the Senate in making an appropriation in furtherance of the

purposes above set forth, the action of the House of Representatives is an invasion of the constitutional rights and privileges of the Senate, and if persisted in, will constitute a practical denial by the House of the rights of the Senate to decide upon "the elections, qualifications and returns of its own members."

Resolved, That the propositions already made to the House have shown a disposition on the part of the Senate to make all honorable concessions consistent with its constitutional rights, and its earnest desire to relieve the House from all responsibility for the specific appropriation of money to objects in regard to the propriety of which there may be a difference of opinion between the two Houses.

Resolved, That in its action the Senate has been guided solely by a desire to preserve rights and powers, the exercise of which is indispensable to the proper performance of its duties as a coördinate branch of the government.

And the resolves having been read, the vote on the question of the adoption thereof was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bartholomew,	Bates,
Bird,	Bradley,	Caswell,
Clark,	Coolidge,	Crosby,
Elliot,	Fletcher,	Fox,
Frost,	Goodman,	Greeley,
Howe,	Kimball,	Long,
Monroe,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Tenney,
Thayer, A.,	Wakefield,	Whiting,
Whitney,	Wood.—29.	

NAYS.—None.

So the resolves were adopted and, on motion, it was ordered that they be entered at large upon the journal; also, that the same be printed.

And it was further ordered that absent members be authorized to enter their names in the journal, on the question of the adoption of the resolves.

On motion of Mr. Crosby,—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be presented to Hon. S. N. Gifford, for the faithfulness, patience and untiring devotion to duty with which he has performed the labors of Clerk of this body; and that our good wishes and prayers accompany him, for his happiness and prosperity in his future life.

Resolution of thanks to the Clerk.

On motion, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet on Wednesday, May 31, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Adjournment.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 31, 1871.

Met according to adjournment.

The journal of Saturday was read.

State Police.

Mr. Crosby, on leave, introduced a bill in addition to an act to establish a state police, and the same was read and referred to a special committee, to consist of the joint special committee on the State Police on the part of the Senate.

Subsequently, Mr. Fox, from said committee, reported the same without amendment, and it was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations.

Mr. Howe, from the committee of conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on the bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, again reported that said committee had been unable to agree, and the report was accepted.

Ib.

The bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was taken from the table and the report of the committee of conference thereon, accepted, and the Senate accordingly receded from its amendment, providing for the payment of a sum of money to Dexter S. King.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

South Bay and Commonwealth's flats.

Mr. Collins asked leave to introduce a bill relating to South Bay and the Commonwealth's flats near South Boston, and the question on the motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Caswell,
	Collins,	Frost,
	Goodman,	Kimball,
	Monroe,	Richardson,
	Safford,	Tenney,
	Wakefield,	Wood.—18.
NAYS.—Messrs. Bates,	Bird,	Clark, A. J.,
	Crosby,	Hawes,
	Packard,	Rhodes,
	Stickney,	Whiting.—12.
	Thayer, A.,	

So leave was granted, and the bill was thereupon read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was taken up, and a motion to recede from the amendment proposed thereto by the Senate, having been made and carried in the negative, Messrs. Wakefield, Bartholomew and Monroe were appointed a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses in relation thereto.

Appropriations.

Sent down for concurrence, came up, and Messrs. Cogswell of Yarmouth, Phillips of Salem and Thompson of Gloucester are joined.

Mr. Goodman, on leave, introduced a resolve concerning the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of American independence, and the same was read twice and rejected.

One hundredth anniversary of American independence. Appropriations.

Mr. Wakefield, from the committee of conference, on the bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, reported that after conference, the committee had agreed that the Senate should recede from its amendment therein, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

An engrossed bill (which originated in the Senate), relating to the South Bay and the Commonwealth's flats near South Boston, passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

South Bay and Commonwealth's flats.

An engrossed bill making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Appropriations.

Mr. Monroe, on leave, introduced a resolve to provide for contingent expenses of the committees of the Senate, and the same was read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Contingent expenses of committees of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A bill in further addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Appropriations.

The resolve providing for additional compensation to the Sergeant-at-Arms and the Clerks of the Senate and House, was taken up, amended by inserting the words "the private secretary of the Governor," and ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rule, read a third time and amended in the title by adding thereto the words, "and the

Compensation of the Sergeant-at-Arms and Clerks of the Senate and House.

private secretary of the Governor," and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Subsequently, the resolve came up engrossed, and was passed and laid before the Governor for his approval.

Appropriations.

An engrossed bill in addition to an act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes; also

Id.

A bill in *further* addition to an act making appropriations (which severally originated in the House), passed to be enacted.

Contingent expenses of committees of the Senate.

A resolve providing for contingent expenses of committees of the Senate (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Alien passengers.

The following message was received from the Governor, returning with certain objections thereto, the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication:—

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, }
May 31, 1871. }

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I return herewith without my approval "the bill in relation to alien passengers arriving in regular lines of communication," and indicate my objections thereto.

The bill, upon a fair estimate of expected immigration, withdraws from the treasury the annual sum of from twenty to thirty thousand dollars, without reducing the fares of emigrants to the ports of this state or otherwise contributing to their benefit. The treasury can ill spare this diminution of revenues without being supplied from other sources. The Auditor's estimate, in his annual report of receipts, from this source, was \$30,000, and upon that basis the state tax has been laid. No provision has been made to supply the deficiency which the proposed change would make during the residue of the year. The special grants have also considerably exceeded the estimates which determined the amount of the state tax. It may be stated that the refunding Act of last year effected a withdrawal of over twenty thousand dollars from the treasury, and the withdrawal effected by the bill is in addition thereto.

The bill is, by its terms, partial and unequal in its operation and for the exclusive benefit of regular lines of transportation without giving the same advantage to other car-

riers, landing more or less passengers and entitled to equal privileges. It thus puts upon our laws an invidious and unwarrantable discrimination, for which there is no apparent necessity, and no semblance of justice. It is difficult to see why parties, not conducting regular lines, should be compelled to bear charges from which the regular lines, generally more able to bear them, are to be exempted. The regular lines are certainly an important part of our commerce and deserve generous coöperation, but public policy does not admit of according to them peculiar privileges and subsidies.

Allen passengers.

The bill, while it increases the net profits of foreign transportation companies at a corresponding loss to the Commonwealth, and without involving any reduction in the fares of emigrants, will greatly inconvenience them on their arrival at the port of Boston by obstructing their debarkation. Instead of passing quickly from the vessel on their way to their places of destination, considerable time must be consumed in inquiries necessary to establish their identification in any subsequent suit upon the general bond to be given, thus detaining them, where a steamship is well laden with passengers, the better part of a day for an examination and descriptive record, whereas less than two hours are consumed under existing laws. If the state is to be indemnified hereafter by a general bond instead of a fund in hand, it must have upon record an accurate and complete description; and experience has shown that it cannot rely for this upon the schedule furnished by the companies, but must supplement their statement with inquiries and records of its own. For this delay of the emigrants they are not compensated or relieved by any reduction of fares or other advantage. Their fares are based by a combination of transportation companies upon the cost of bringing them to New York, including, with other items, the head-money paid at that port; and their fares to the port of Boston are made the same, even though a shorter distance is traversed. The companies do not propose, in consideration of the exemption asked for, to charge them less for a passage to Boston than to New York or to repay them a like amount on their arrival at this port. The Act of the last session, refunding the head-money to the carriers in the case of alien passengers leaving the State within forty-eight hours, effected no comparative reduction of fares in favor of Boston, or any reduction at all, or any repayment of the refunded amount to the emigrant himself. The result is, that while the head-money continues to be collected at New York, the emigrant will pay it as a

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part of his passage money to this port, equal fare being charged to both ports, and will, if the bill becomes a law, be subjected, together with perhaps the additional charge of an inspection fee, to the further discomforts and delays of a particular examination and record from which at the ports of this state he has hitherto been happily exempt.

The bill substitutes for the present method of securing the Commonwealth, one more uncertain and expensive. A fund is provided by the existing law from which the expense of supporting emigrants who become public charges is paid ; but the bill remits the Commonwealth solely, where the carrier elects to give it, to a suit upon a bond, the enforcement of which is likely to involve litigation, more or less prolonged, with difficult questions of identification, and this against sureties who are not required to be residents of the Commonwealth. It has not been found heretofore that such bonds provide any substantial security, and our own experience is confirmed by that of other states.

The bill gives the power, without restriction, to the owners of the steamships and other vessels belonging to the regular lines, or their authorized agent, to terminate their liability for the subsequent expenses of an alien passenger, incurred after notice, who has become a public charge, by conveying him at their own expense to the port from which they brought him. Though he may have lived among us many years and all his kindred may be resident here, the owners cannot be required to pay the expense of his support here if they choose otherwise ; and they have impliedly the power to transport him beyond the seas, even though every consideration of humanity forbids his removal. If a qualified power of removal may be properly intrusted to certain public officers acting under a sense of official responsibility, an unrestricted power, of a kind liable to great abuse, ought not to be extended to private parties who have no such responsibility and are resident abroad.

The specific objections to the bill are not likely to be compensated by any general benefit to the community. There is no reasonable prospect that it will attract immigration to the country or divert it from the ports of other states to our own. The refunding Act, passed at the last session of the legislature, was expected by its promoters to increase the numbers arriving at this port ; but during the twelve months of its operation they have been less by over four thousand than during the corresponding period preceding its enactment. Nor can this decrease be accounted for by the war between France and Germany ; for during the operation of

the refunding Act the emigration from the Continent of Europe has but slightly decreased, while the main decrease has been in the arrivals from Great Britain and her North American Provinces, which were unaffected by the war. The refunding provision, which was first enacted in 1853 and then repealed in 1865, had likewise no effect in that first period of its operation in increasing immigration, as appears by the official statistics, and was therefore repealed. If the modification last year of the then existing system did not have the promised effect, there is no reason to suppose that further legislation in the same direction will realize the expected advantage. Immigration does not appear to be determined by such provisions, but by the higher considerations which make a permanent residence in one country more desirable than in another.

It is claimed for the bill that it will promote the commerce of Boston. It is difficult to see how it can produce this result to any appreciable extent. The most that it can do is to distribute among the different carriers the amount of head-money to be remitted. This is too small an item in the aggregate of receipts to attract vessels or lines of transportation to this port which would not otherwise make it their terminus, particularly where the company lades with freight as well as passengers, and makes the port of New York a terminus as well as this. When the refunding Act of the last session was passed, the assurance was given that the measure would keep the Inman line at this port; but it was discontinued before the close of the year for want, it is understood, of sufficient patronage in the way of freight. During the discussions which followed the withdrawal of the Cunard line in 1867 and the public-spirited efforts of our merchants at a later date to establish an American line of steamships running between the ports of Boston and Liverpool, it was not suggested that the head-money interfered with our mercantile interests, but the want of adequate freight was the controlling consideration urged. If there had been any substantial interference of the head-money with the desired object, it would not have been likely to have escaped the attention of the parties interested or of the public generally. It should be the pride and duty of the state to encourage and protect, as far as may be, the commerce of our first city, but the pending bill does not appear to have any direct relation to it.

The present laws in relation to alien passengers are, in their essential features, of long standing in this Commonwealth. Twenty years ago, after a decision of the supreme

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court of the United States, they were put substantially in their present shape. They have been approved by able lawyers, and have passed unquestioned in our courts, state and national; and those courts are still open to all suitors who desire to contest them. By the Acts of 1852 and 1854 the sum of six thousand dollars is reserved from the fund derived from this source to constitute a sinking fund for the redemption of the scrip issued for the building and furnishing of the state almshouses. Other seaboard states have similar legislation. While the law of this state allows the bond to be commuted by the payment of two dollars, that of the state of New York has required two dollars and a half. The state of New York, which has no refunding provision, has recently reduced the commutation charge to a dollar and fifty cents; while our own, by the operation of the refunding Act, has been practically reduced on an average to one dollar for each European passenger. Bills presented in Congress with the view of uniform legislation have proposed similar charges.

It is claimed that the law as it stands, requiring of the company either a bond or the commutation money on account of all passengers, is unjust to emigrants, inasmuch as the money is often paid on account of such as never prove a public charge. But the inequality suggested is rather fancied than real. A bond or the money instead is required on account of all, because it cannot be determined in advance who may become paupers. They can all rely upon public provision in case of need, just as all passengers paying equal fare may, whether falling sick or not, rely during the voyage on the surgeon's care and medical supplies of the ship. The system does not appear to be in this respect unequal or exceptional. As far as known, the emigrants themselves have not complained of it or asked for its discontinuance. And I shall be slow to believe that our Commonwealth has, during a great part of her history, been practising systematic injustice on persons of foreign nativity, who have sought her jurisdiction in order to better their condition and to enjoy the blessings of liberty. I am unable to find that such injustice has been visited upon emigrants, who have ever met with a generous welcome from us, who have found abundant relief in our private as well as public charities, and who, in consequence of the unequal laws and unjust social arrangements of the countries of their birth, have required, without fault of their own, a much larger proportion of aid than others of our citizens. The laws concerning alien passengers may from time to time need revision, but I am constrained

to regard the present bill as injuriously affecting the finances and security of the state without realizing a beneficent change in favor of the emigrant himself.

WILLIAM CLAFLIN.

And the message having been read the question was stated as follows, to wit:—

Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding? And the vote was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartholomew,	Boardman,	Bradley,
Caswell,	Collins,	Elliot,
Fletcher,	Fox,	Frost,
Howe,	Kimball,	Long,
Monroe,	Park,	Richardson,
Tenney,	Whiting,	Willcomb,
Wood.—19.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Atwood,	Bates,	Bird,
Clark, A. J.,	Crosby,	Hawes,
Packard,	Pierce,	Rhodes,
Safford,	Sproat,	Stickney,
Thayer, A.,	Wakefield.—14.	

So the bill was rejected, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,—

Ordered, That there be paid out of the Treasury to Dexter S. King, the sum of three hundred dollars for contingent expenses of a committee of the Senate, pursuant to provisions of the resolve to provide for contingent expenses of the committees of the Senate.

On motion, it was ordered that the Clerks of the two branches cause to be prepared and printed, before the meeting of the next General Court, twenty-five hundred copies of so much of the legislative Manual as may be practicable, on the general plan of that of the present year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion, of Mr. Wakefield,—

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business now before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue

them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next; and Messrs. Wakefield, Crosby and Howe, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, and Messrs. Kellogg of Pittsfield, Hopkinson of Bradford, Richardson of Sturbridge, McKenzie of Westfield, Pearl of Boston, Eastman of Greenfield, and Poor of Boston, are joined.

Subsequently, Mr. Wakefield, from the above named committee, reported that the committee had attended to the duty assigned it, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he would communicate forthwith with the two branches by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Soon after, the Secretary came in with a message from the Governor, informing the Senate that he had during the present session, signed 399 Bills and 95 Resolves, and further, that he congratulated the members of the Senate upon their faithfulness in the discharge of the duties imposed upon them and their expedition in bringing their labors to a close.

The Secretary further informed the Senate that in accordance with the request of the General Court, it was his pleasure, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the first Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next.

And the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest:

STEPHEN N. GIFFORD,

Clerk of the Senate.

APPENDIX.

[A.]

RULES AND ORDERS OF THE SENATE.

Of the Duties and Powers of the President.

RULE 1. To call the members to order and cause the journal of the preceding day to be read.

RULE 2. To preserve order and decorum—To speak to points of order in preference to other members—To decide all questions of order, subject to appeal—To rise in putting a question, &c., but may read sitting.

RULE 3. To declare all votes; if doubted, a return to be ordered—President may vote, but to be required to do so, in certain cases only.

RULE 4. The President to vote on all questions.

RULE 5. President to order the Yeas and Nays if one-fifth of the members present require them.

RULE 6. Concerning motions when a question is under debate, and the precedence thereof.

RULE 7. Motions undebatable.

RULE 8. President to name who may speak, when two or more members rise at once.

RULE 9. President may name member to take his place—Limitation thereof.

RULE 10. In absence of President, the senior member present to call the Senate to order—The election of a President *pro tem.* to be the first business.

Of the Rights, Duties and Decorum of Members.

RULE 11. Members, when speaking, to address the President.

RULE 12. Limitation as to speaking.

RULE 13. Members not to interrupt another, except, &c.

RULE 14. Members not to speak on a question after it is put to vote.

RULE 15. Concerning the presentation of petitions, &c.

RULE 16. All motions to be reduced to writing, if the President so direct.

RULE 17. Concerning the reconsideration of votes.

RULE 18. Bills, &c., to remain in Clerk's possession until the right of reconsideration has expired.

RULE 19. Division of a question to be made if desired—Motion to strike out and insert.

RULE 20. Unfinished business to have the preference.

RULE 21. Members not to vote on questions where their private rights are concerned, distinct from the public interest.

RULE 22. Members not to absent themselves without leave, unless, &c.

RULE 23. Concerning the Yeas and Nays.

Of Committees.

RULE 24. Requiring statements to be made to Committees relative to proposed alteration of laws.

RULE 25. List of Standing Committees.

RULE 26. Committees to be appointed by the President, unless, &c.—First named to be Chairman—Substitute to hold the same rank as the original member—In elections, the person having the highest number of votes to be Chairman.

RULE 27. Order of question when motion is made to commit.

RULE 28. Reports of Committees not proposing final action, and of Committees of Conference, to be made the order of the day for the succeeding day.

RULE 29. No other than Joint or Special Committees to occupy the Senate Chamber without leave.

Of Bills and Resolves.

RULE 30. Concerning reports on petitions, notice of the presentation of which has not been published.

RULE 31. Bills and resolves, how to be written—not to be introduced by a member without leave—When introduced, on leave, to be committed before second reading.

RULE 32. Bills, &c, from the House, to be committed, unless reported by a joint committee.

RULE 33. Bills, &c., not to be engrossed without three readings—Bills in second and third readings to be made the order of the day for the succeeding day—Matters passed over, how disposed of.

RULE 34. Bills and resolves involving expenditure of money to be referred to Committee on the Treasury.

RULE 35. Bills, &c., in their third reading to be committed for examination.

RULE 36. Engrossed bills, &c., to be committed for examination—Bills reported as rightly and truly engrossed not to be again read, unless, &c.

RULE 37. No engrossed bill to be amended except by unanimous consent.

RULE 38. No rejected measure to be revived—This rule to apply to House as well as Senate measures.

Elections by Ballot.

RULE 39. Elections by ballot—time to be assigned therefor.

Senate Library.

RULE 40. Books to be in care of the Clerk—Clerk to keep account of all books delivered.

Reporters.

RULE 41. Reporters—seats for, to be numbered and assigned by lot.

General Rules.

RULE 42. Seats not to be occupied by persons other than members.

RULE 43. Regulations respecting admission of persons to Senate Chamber and rooms adjoining.

RULE 44. Cushing's Manual and Cushing's Law and Practice to govern when not inconsistent with Rules and Orders.

RULE 45. Concerning the alteration, rescinding, &c., of rules.

RULES AND ORDERS.

(Numbers enclosed in parentheses indicate corresponding Rules of the House.)

Of the Duties and Powers of the President.

RULE 1. (1.) The President shall take the chair every day at the hour to which the Senate shall have adjourned, shall call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, shall proceed to business.

RULE 2. (2, 4.) He shall preserve order and decorum, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal. He shall rise to put a question or to address the Senate, but may read sitting.

RULE 3. (3.) He shall declare all votes; but, if any member rises to doubt a vote, the President shall order a return of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate.

RULE 4. (5.) The President may vote on all questions.

RULE 5. (7.) When any member shall move that any question be taken by yeas and nays, the President shall take the sense of the Senate in that manner, provided one-fifth of the members present shall so direct.

RULE 6. (10.) When a question is under debate, the President shall receive no motion but to *adjourn*, to *proceed to the consideration of the special assignment*, to *lay on the table*, to *postpone to a day certain*, to *commit*, to *amend*, to *refer to the next General Court*, or to *postpone indefinitely*, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

RULE 7. (11.) The motion to adjourn, when made while any other question is pending, and the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table and for the yeas and nays, shall be decided without debate.

RULE 8. (15.) When two or more members rise at once, the President shall designate which of these shall be entitled to the floor.

RULE 9. (17.) The President shall have the right to appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair, but such appointment shall not extend beyond three days.

RULE 10. (47.) In case of a vacancy in the office of President, or in case the President, or the member substituted by

him in accordance with Rule No. 9, shall be absent at the hour designated in Rule No. 1, the senior member present shall call the Senate to order, and shall preside until a President or a President *pro tempore* shall be elected by ballot, which shall be the first business of the Senate.

Of the Rights, Duties and Decorum of Members.

RULE 11. (20.) Every member, when he speaks, shall stand in his place, and address the President.

RULE 12. (22.) No member shall speak more than once on one question, to the prevention of any other who has not spoken and is desirous to speak, nor more than twice without obtaining leave of the Senate.

RULE 13. (21.) No member speaking shall be interrupted by another but by rising to call to order.

RULE 14. After a question is put to a vote, no member shall speak to it.

RULE 15. (49.) Every member presenting a Petition, Memorial, or Remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, and, in the filing thereof, state briefly the nature and object of the instrument, and the reading of the same shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered by the Senate.

RULE 16. (33.) Any motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President so direct.

RULE 17. (23.) When a vote has passed, except on motions specified in Rule 7, it shall be in order for any member to move a reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion if made on the same day, shall be placed first in the Orders of the Day, for the day succeeding that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered; and when a motion for reconsideration is decided, the vote shall not be reconsidered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote, upon any collateral matter, shall not remove the main subject under consideration, from before the Senate, but shall be considered at the time when it is made.

RULE 18. (25.) Bills, resolves, and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration, shall remain in the possession of the Clerk until the right of reconsideration has expired.

RULE 19. (34.) A question containing two or more propositions, capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible. But a motion to strike out, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert.

RULE 20. (37.) The unfinished business in which the Senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment, shall have the preference in the Orders of the Day, next after motions to reconsider.

RULE 21. (31.) No member shall be permitted to vote or serve on any committee on a question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

RULE 22. No member shall absent himself from the Senate without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence.

RULE 23. (7, 32.) Whenever a question shall be taken by yeas and nays, the Clerk shall call the names of all the members, except the President, in alphabetical order, and every member present shall answer to his name, unless excused before the vote is taken; and no member shall be permitted to vote after the decision is announced from the chair.

Of Committees.

RULE 24. (43.) It shall be the duty of every member of the Senate, who moves that any Standing Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending an existing law, to point out to such Committee, in writing, the amendment which he deems expedient, and to furnish a written statement of the facts and authorities in favor thereof, to such Committee, if by them required.

RULE 25. (66.) The following Standing Committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the first session, to wit:—

A Committee on the Judiciary;

A Committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

And each of these committees shall consist of five members.

A Committee on Matters of Probate and Chancery;

A Committee on the Treasury;

A Committee on Printing;

A Committee on Engrossed Bills;

A Committee on Leave of Absence ;

And each of these Committees shall consist of three members.

RULE 26. (16, 68.) All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise specially directed by the Senate, and the person first named shall be Chairman. In all elections of Committees by ballot, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as Chairman.

RULE 27. (42.) When a motion is made to commit any subject, and different Committees shall be proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order: A Standing Committee of the Senate—a Select Committee of the Senate—a Joint Standing Committee—a Joint Select Committee.

RULE 28. Reports of Committees, except such as do not propose final action, and Reports of Committees of Conference, shall, unless otherwise specially ordered, be placed in the Orders of the Day next succeeding that on which they shall be presented to the Senate.

RULE 29. No Committee shall be allowed to occupy the Senate Chamber without leave of the Senate.

RULE 30. (51.) No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals or private or municipal corporations, or the Commonwealth, shall be reported to the Senate by any Committee, unless it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the Committee that notice had been given in the manner provided by law; or, unless such notice as the Committee shall direct shall have been given and proper proof of the same placed before the Committee; or, unless in the judgment of the Committee, no notice to the parties or the public is necessary.

Of Bills and Resolves.

RULE 31. (56, 57.) All bills and resolves shall be written in a fair, round hand, without interlineations, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections or resolves. No bill or resolve shall be introduced by a member without special leave; and all bills and resolves, when so introduced, shall be committed before they are passed to a second reading.

RULE 32. All bills and resolves from the House of Representatives, after they are read a first time, shall be committed

to a committee of the Senate, except when said bills or resolves shall have been reported by a joint committee.

RULE 33. (55, 63.) No bill or resolve or substitute therefor, shall pass to be engrossed without three readings on three several days; and bills and resolves in the second and third readings shall be made the order of the day for the day next succeeding that on which leave shall have been given to read them a second or third time, and the President shall order them accordingly. After being placed in the Orders of the Day they shall be disposed of in course; and matters passed over in the Orders of the Day shall go to the foot of the list, and shall not be considered till the next day.

RULE 34. (59.) All bills and resolves involving the expenditure of public money, shall, after the first reading, be referred in course to the Committee on the Treasury, whose duty it shall be to report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth.

RULE 35. (60.) All bills and resolves in the third reading shall be committed to the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, whose duty it shall be to ascertain their relations to the Constitution, and any existing laws upon the same subject-matter, and to see that all such bills and resolves are correct in form.

RULE 36. (61.) All engrossed bills and resolves shall be committed to the Standing Committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duty it shall be carefully to compare the same with the bill as passed to be engrossed, and if found by them to be rightly and truly engrossed, they shall so endorse on the envelope thereof, and the final question shall be taken thereon without any further reading, unless, on motion of any member, a majority of the Senate shall be in favor of reading the same as engrossed.

RULE 37. (62.) No engrossed bill or resolve shall be amended.

RULE 38. (57.) When any measure shall be finally rejected, it shall not be revived except by reconsideration, and no measure *substantially* the same shall be introduced during the session; and this Rule shall apply as well to measures originating in the House as to those originating in the Senate.

Elections by Ballot.

RULE 39. (67.) In all elections by ballot a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto.

Senate Library.

RULE 40. The books belonging to the Senate Chamber shall be in the care of the Clerk, who shall keep an accurate list thereof; and no book shall be taken from the Senate Chamber by any person without giving notice thereof to the Clerk, who shall enter, in a book to be kept by him, the name of the book, and the name of the person taking the same.

Reporters.

RULE 41. Seats for reporters shall be numbered, and assigned by lot, under the direction of the Clerk of the Senate.

General Rules.

RULE 42. (44.) No person not a member of the Senate shall be allowed to sit at the Senate table while the Senate is in session.

RULE 43. No person other than members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government shall be allowed to be present in the Clerk's room, or the room intervening between that and the Senate Chamber, while the Senate is in session, or during the half-hour immediately preceding and following any session.

RULE 44. The Rules of Parliamentary Practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, and the principles of parliamentary law set forth in Cushing's larger work, shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Standing Rules and Orders of the Senate, or the Joint Rules of the two branches of the legislature.

RULE 45. (38.) Any Rule or Order, except the *thirty-fifth*, may be altered, suspended or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present consenting thereto.

[B.]

JOINT RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

TWO BRANCHES.

RULE 1. List of joint standing committees—No member of either House to act as counsel before any committee.

RULE 2. Committee on Hoosac Tunnel, &c., to visit Tunnel and Railroad, examine and report thereon.

RULE 3. Joint committees; how they may report—How their reports shall be written.

RULE 4. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted by either House, except, &c.—All reports, after recommitment, to be made to the House which ordered the same.

RULE 5. Papers on their passage to be under the signature of the Clerks, except, &c.—Messages.

RULE 6. Engrossed bills and bills ordered to be engrossed.

RULE 7. Notice of bills rejected to be sent to the other branch.

RULE 8. Bills that have passed to be enacted.

RULE 9. Rule 6th, concerning bills, to be applied also to resolves.

RULE 10. Resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution.

RULE 11. President of the Senate to preside in Conventions—Conventions to be held in the Representatives' Chamber—Clerk of the Senate to be Clerk of.

RULE 12. An agreement to go into a Convention not to be altered or annulled, unless, &c.

RULE 13. Restriction as to business of Conventions.

RULE 14. Elections by joint ballot; time to be assigned therefor.

RULE 15. Committees of Conference; how composed, and their reports.

RULE 16. Concerning reports on petitions, notice of the presentation of which has not been given.

RULE 17. Concerning petitions, memorials, &c.

RULE 18. Concerning the printing and binding of Documents.

RULE 1. The following Joint Standing Committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session, viz. :—

A Committee on Agriculture;

A Committee on Banks and Banking;

A Committee on Claims;

A Committee on Education;

A Committee on Expenditures;

A Committee on Federal Relations;

A Committee on the Fisheries;

A Committee on the Library;
A Committee on Manufactures;
A Committee on Mercantile Affairs;
A Committee on Insurance;
A Committee on Military Affairs;
A Committee on Parishes and Religious Societies;
A Committee on Prisons;
A Committee on Public Charitable Institutions;
A Committee on Public Lands;
A Committee on Railways;
A Committee on Horse Railways;
A Committee on Roads and Bridges;
A Committee on the State House;
A Committee on Towns;
A Committee on Harbors;
A Committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

And each of said Committees shall consist of two on the part of the Senate, and five on the part of the House, except the Committee on Harbors, the Committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, the Committee on Railways, and the Committee on Horse Railways, which shall each consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House; and except the Committee on the Library, which, by law, is to consist of three on the part of each House; and except the Committee on Expenditures, which shall consist of the Committee on the Treasury of the Senate, and the Committee on Finance of the House. No member of either House shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the legislature.

RULE. 2. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad to visit the tunnel and railroad, examine into the condition and progress of the work, and to report fully the result of such examination.

RULE 3. The Joint Committees of the two Houses may report by bill, resolve or otherwise, to either House, at their discretion; and all bills and resolves reported by them shall be written in a fair, legible hand, without interlineation, on not less than a sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and spaces between the several sections or resolves.

RULE 4. Reports of Joint Committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the House first acting thereon, without asking the concurrence of the other branch; and bills or resolves which have been previously acted on in one branch may be recommitted in the other without a concurrent vote, except when recommitted with instructions: *provided*, that, after such recommitment, reports shall, in all cases, be made to the branch which shall have ordered such recommitment.

RULE 5. All papers, while on their passage between the two Houses, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each House may direct.

RULE 6. After bills shall have passed both Houses to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two Houses, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and, when engrossed, the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the Committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same shall have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the Committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

RULE 7. If any bill, resolve or order, originating in one branch, is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

RULE 8. The Clerk of the House in which a bill originated, shall make an indorsement thereon, certifying in which House the same originated, which indorsement shall be entered on the Journals by the Clerks respectively.

After said bills shall have passed both Houses to be enacted, the Clerk of the Senate shall lay them before the Governor for his approbation, and shall enter upon the Journal of the Senate the day on which the same were laid before the Governor.

RULE 9. All resolves and other papers, which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall be laid before him in the same manner as is prescribed in the case of bills.

RULE 10. All resolves proposing amendments of the Constitution, shall have three several readings in each House, and the final question upon adopting the same shall be taken by yeas and nays.

RULE 11. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches; and such Conventions shall be held in the Representatives' Chamber; and the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Conventions.

RULE 12. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

RULE 13. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

RULE 14. In all elections by joint ballot, a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

RULE 15. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each House, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each Committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected; but no other action shall be had, except through a new Committee of Conference.

RULE 16. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals or private or municipal corporations, or the Commonwealth, shall be reported to the Legislature by any Committee, unless it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the Committee that notice had been given in the manner provided by law; or, unless such notice as the Committee shall direct shall have been given and proper proof of the same placed before the Committee; or, unless in the judgment of the Committee, no notice to the parties or the public is necessary.

RULE 17. All petitions, memorials and applications embraced in the provisions of chapter 2 of the General Statutes and chapter 91 of the Acts of the year 1862, which shall be presented after the expiration of forty days from the commencement of the session, shall be referred to the next General Court. This Rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of three-fourths of the members of each House present and voting thereon.

RULE 18. The Committee on Printing shall act as a Joint Committee in cases requiring joint action; and as such may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the legislature, not otherwise disposed of, such regulations to be reported to and subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be eight hundred, with the exception of the Governor's Inaugural Address, of which three thousand copies may be printed without special order. Either branch, by special order, may direct a larger number than eight hundred copies to be printed, which order shall be referred to the Committee on Printing, who may report thereon at any time when the Orders of the Day are not under consideration.

Leave to report in print, shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

No binding or engraving shall be ordered, except upon the report of the Joint Committee on Printing, accepted by the legislature.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either House, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's Office; six copies to the State Library; and when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said Joint Committee.

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ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

Executive and Legislative Departments

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,

1871.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First year in office.
William Claflin, <i>Governor</i> ,	Newton, . .	Mar. 6, 1818,	Milford, . .	Merchant, . .	1869.
Joseph Tucker, <i>Lieutenant-Governor</i> ,	Lenox, . .	Aug. 21, 1832,	Lenox, . .	Lawyer, . .	1869.
Marshall S. Underwood, <i>Councillor</i> , Dist. No. 1,	Dennis, . .	June 29, 1812,	Harwich, . .	Grocer, . .	1869.
William L. Reed, " " 2,	Abington, . .	Oct. 5, 1825,	S. Abington, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1870.
Henry G. Crowell, " " 3,	Boston, . .	Sept. 10, 1821,	Yarmouth, . .	Merchant, . .	1870.
Jonas Fitch, " " 4,	Boston, . .	Mar. 21, 1811,	Pepperell, . .	Carpenter, . .	1871.
John F. Harris, " " 5,	Marblehead, . .	- - -	Marblehead, . .	Shoe Manufacturer, . .	1871.
Jonathan B. Winn, " " 6,	Woburn, . .	Aug. 24, 1811,	Burlington, . .	Leather Manufact'r, . .	1870.
Elijah B. Stoddard, " " 7,	Worcester, . .	June 5, 1826,	Upton, . .	Lawyer, . .	1871.
Sylvander Johnson, " " 8,	Adams, . .	Feb. 2, 1815,	Stafford, Ct., . .	Manufacturer, . .	1870.
Charles H. Taylor, <i>Governor's Private Secretary</i> ,	Somerville, . .	July 14, 1846,	Charlestown, . .	Journalist, . .	1869.

Heads of Departments,—

Oliver Warner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	.	.	.	Northampton,	Apr. 17, 1818,	Northampton,	.	-	1858.
Charles Adams, Jr., <i>Treasurer</i> ,	.	.	.	N. Brookfield,	Jan. 31, 1810,	Antrim, N. H.,	.	-	1867.
Charles Endicott, <i>Auditor</i> ,	.	.	.	Canton,	Oct. 28, 1822,	Canton,	.	Lawyer,	1870.
Charles Allen, <i>Attorney-General</i> ,	.	.	.	Boston,	Apr. 17, 1827,	Greenfield,	.	Lawyer,	1867.
James A. Cunningham, <i>Adjutant-General</i> ,	.	.	.	Gloucester,	Nov. 27, 1830,	Boston,	.	Farmer,	1866.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

HORACE H. COOLIDGE, PRESIDENT.

Districts.	Names.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
First District,	Rufus S. Frost,	Chelsea,	July 18, 1826,	Marlborough, N.H.,	Commis'n Merch't,	1871.
Second "	Alonzo W. Boardman,	Boston,	June 16, 1828,	Saugus,	Lawyer,	1871.
Third "	William D. Park,	Boston,	Jan. 8, 1881,	Boston,	Innholder,	1871.
Fourth "	Horace H. Coolidge,	Boston,	Feb. 11, 1832,	Boston,	Lawyer,	*1865.
Fifth "	James A. Fox,	Boston,	Aug. 11, 1827,	Boston,	Lawyer,	*1867.
Sixth "	Patrick A. Collins,	So. Boston,	Mar. 12, 1844,	Fermoy, Ireland,	Lawyer,	*1868.
ESSEX COUNTY.						
First District,	William H. Caswell,	Marblehead,	Dec. 22, 1837,	Marblehead,	Shoe Manufactur'r,	1871.
Second "	Daniel E. Safford,	Hamilton,	Feb. 6, 1826,	Hamilton,	Lawyer,	*1861.
Third "	Nathan S. Kimball,	Haverhill,	Oct. 7, 1820,	Haverhill,	Leather Dealer,	*1858.
Fourth "	Orlando B. Tenney,	Georgetown,	Dec. 18, 1816,	Salem,	Librarian,	*1866.
Fifth "	Frederick Willcomb,	Ipswich,	Nov. 29, 1831,	Ipswich,	Trader,	1870.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.						
First District,	William B. Long,	Charlestown,	Oct. 11, 1827,	Charlestown,	-	*1863.
Second "	James Pierce,	Malden,	Jan. 20, 1837,	Medford,	Merchant,	*1866.
Third "	Estes Howe,	Cambridge,	July 18, 1814,	Worthington,	Treasurer of Corpor'n.	1869.
Fourth "	James Wilson Clark,	Frammingham,	Apr. 18, 1802,	Hopkinton,	Formerly Merch't.	*1861.
Fifth "	John Fletcher, Jr.,	Acton,	Aug. 8, 1827,	Acton,	Shoe Manufactur'r,	*1862.

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Sixth District,	George P. Elliot, . . .	BillERICA, . . .	Oct. 28, 1804, . . .	Chelsea, Vt., . . .	- . . .	*1801.
Seventh "	George F. Richardson, . .	Lowell, . . .	Dec. 9, 1829, . . .	Tyngsborough, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1871.
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
First District,	Adin Thayer, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Dec. 5, 1828, . . .	Mendon, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1871.
Second "	J. H. Wood, . . .	Grafton, . . .	Aug. 10, 1822, . . .	Grafton, . . .	Merchant, . . .	*1868.
Third "	A. J. Bartholomew, . . .	Southbridge, . . .	Oct. 1, 1834, . . .	Hartwick, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	*1867.
Fourth "	Baxter D. Whitney, . . .	Winchendon, . . .	June 28, 1817, . . .	Winchendon, . . .	Mech. Eng'r & Machinist, . . .	1871.
Fifth "	Henry C. Greeley, . . .	Clinton, . . .	Oct. 15, 1830, . . .	Hudson, N. H., . . .	Trader, . . .	1870.
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
First District,	Timothy F. Packard, . .	Monson, . . .	May 18, 1812, . . .	Monson, . . .	Merchant, . . .	*1864.
Second "	George M. Stearns, . . .	Chicopee, . . .	Apr. 18, 1831, . . .	Stoughton, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	*1859.
BERKSHIRE AND HAMPSHIRE COUNTIES.						
Hampshire District,	Stephen M. Crosby, . . .	Williamsburg, . . .	Aug. 14, 1827, . . .	Salisbury, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	*1869.
Berkshire & Hampshire Dis., .	Richard Goodman, . . .	Lenox, . . .	July 28, 1818, . . .	New York City, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
Berkshire District,	Shepard Thayer, . . .	Adams, . . .	Aug. 16, 1825, . . .	Williamstown, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	*1867.
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
Franklin District,	Andrew J. Clark, . . .	Orange, . . .	Oct. 9, 1835, . . .	Rutland, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	*1864.
NORFOLK AND PLYMOUTH COUNTIES.						
First Norfolk District, . . .	George H. Monroe, . . .	Boston, . . .	Aug. 28, 1826, . . .	Dedham, . . .	Journalist, . . .	*1864.
Second "	Thomas L. Wakefield, . .	Dedham, . . .	June 15, 1817, . . .	Londonderry, Vt., . . .	Lawyer, . . .	*1865.
Third "	Francis W. Bird, . . .	Walpole, . . .	Oct. 22, 1809, . . .	Dedham, . . .	Paper-maker, . . .	*1847.
First Plymouth District, . .	James G. Sproat, . . .	Wareham, . . .	July 24, 1835, . . .	Wareham, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1870.
Second "	Jacob Bates, . . .	E. Bridgewater, . . .	Feb. 3, 1819, . . .	East Bridgewater, . . .	Farmer, . . .	*1867.
Norfolk and Plymouth Dis., .	Amasa Whiting, . . .	Hingham, . . .	Oct. 15, 1821, . . .	Hingham, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.

* House of Representatives.

Districts.	Names.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
BRISTOL COUNTY.	Stephen H. Rhodes, .	Taunton, .	Nov. 7, 1825,	Franklin, .	Insurance, .	1870.
	John A. Hawes, .	Fairhaven, .	Sept. 23, 1823,	Fairhaven, .	-	1870.
	Charles P. Stickney, .	Fall River, .	Mar. 14, 1824,	Chester, N. H., .	Merchant, .	1871.
BARNSTABLE, NANTUCKET AND DUKES COUNTIES.						
Cape District, . . .	Nathaniel E. Atwood, .	Provincet'n, .	Sept. 13, 1807,	Provincetown, .	Master Mariner, .	*1857.
Island " . . .	Charles Bradley, .	Tisbury, .	Apr. 21, 1816,	Edgartown, .	Merchant, .	*1868.

* House of Representatives.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st year in office.
Stephen N. Gifford, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Duxbury,	July 21, 1815,	Pembroke,	1858.
Samuel W. Foljambe, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Malden,	- - - - -	- - - - -	1871.
John Morrissey, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Plymouth,	Sept. 22, 1818,	Boston,	1859.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

HARVEY JEWELL, SPEAKER.

Districts.	Name of Representative.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Henry S. Washburn, Edward Pearl, Luther A. Wright, Michael Carney,	Boston,	June 10, 1813, Sept. 15, 1825, May 13, 1828, Nov. 12, 1827,	Providence, R. I., Rochester, N. H., Grafton, Culdaff, Ireland,	Manuf. of Iron and Wire, Manuf. of Paint & Varnish, Merchant. Trader,	1871. 1871. 1869. 1869.
2,	James O. Fallon, John Drynan, George Going,	" "	Mar. 16, 1840, Mar. 21, 1838, July 4, 1824,	Ireland, Evergreen, Ireland, New Ipswich, N. H.,	Wines, etc., Hotel Keeper, Wines and Liquors,	1870. 1870. 1871.
3,	Theophilus Burr, John Newell,	" "	Sept. 17, 1821, Jan. 10, 1816,	Boston, Strong, Me.,	Carpenter & Buildr, Life Insurance Agt.,	1871. 1871.
4,	Charles R. Train, John A. Lamson, John P. Ober,	" "	Oct. 18, 1817, Mar. 8, 1831, Feb. 7, 1805,	Frammingham, Topsfield, Salem,	Lawyer, Physician, Cooper,	1847. 1871. 1846.
5,	Charles L. Woodbury, John W. Regan, John J. Murphy,	" "	May 22, 1820, Feb. 14, 1838, July 22, 1842,	Portsmouth, N. H., Ireland, Boston,	Lawyer, Hose Maker, Brass Finisher,	1870. 1871. 1871.
6,	Harvey Jewell, George L. Ruffin,	" "	May 26, 1820, Dec. 16, 1834,	Winchester, N. H., Richmond, Va.,	Lawyer, Lawyer,	1861. 1870.
7,	Hugh Flood, John E. Fitzgerald, Hugh A. Madden, Hugh J. Toland,	" " " " "	Feb. 8, 1831, Nov. 17, 1844, Mar. 31, 1839, Sept. 1, 1844,	St. John, N. B., Ireland, Boston, Boston,	Painter, Lawyer, Plumber, Watchmaker & Jeweller,	1870. 1867. 1871. 1871.

Districts.	Name of Representative.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
SUFFOLK Co.—Con.						
No. 8, . . .	Moses Kimball, .	Boston, .	Oct. 24, 1809, .	Newburyport, .	Boston Museum, .	1850.
. . .	Ira L. Moore, .	" .	Nov. 28, 1823, .	Candia, N. H., .	Physician, . . .	1857.
. . .	David Chamberlain, .	" .	Jan. 29, 1823, .	Boston, . . .	Carpenter, . . .	1871.
9, . . .	George Nowell, .	" .	Jan. 15, 1815, .	York, Me., . . .	— . . .	1870.
. . .	Francis D. Stedman, .	" .	Feb. 10, 1801, .	Lancaster, . . .	Life Insurance Agent, .	1857.
10, . . .	Timothy Davis, .	" .	Apr. 12, 1821, .	Gloucester, . . .	Special Attorney, .	1870.
. . .	Noah Lincoln, .	" .	Jan. 3, 1810, .	Boston, . . .	Wharfinger, . . .	1856.
. . .	Samuel J. Tuttle, .	" .	Nov. 28, 1822, .	Sanbornston, N. H., .	Mason and Builder, .	1854.
11, . . .	Charles V. Poor, .	" .	Nov. 2, 1817, .	Belfast, Me., . .	Wholesale Druggist, .	1871.
. . .	Edward W. Griggs, .	" .	May 29, 1834, .	Brimfield, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1871.
12, . . .	Robert Johnson, .	" .	July 17, 1823, .	Harrison, Me., .	Supt S. Boston R.R., .	1863.
. . .	Francis James, .	" .	July 16, 1819, .	Scituate, . . .	Mason and Builder, .	1870.
. . .	Caleb Lombard, .	Chelsea, .	Oct. 20, 1817, .	Wellfleet, . . .	Salesman, . . .	1869.
13, . . .	Horatio B. Hersey, .	Chelsea, .	Jan. 18, 1823, .	Boston, . . .	Leather Dealer, . .	1871.
. . .	Thomas Floyd, .	Winthrop, .	Nov. 3, 1838, .	Winthrop, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
Essex County.						
No. 1, . . .	John Hume, . . .	Amesbury, .	Mar. 20, 1822, .	Scotland, . . .	Merchant Tailor, .	1871.
. . .	Charles L. Allen, .	Salisbury, .	Jan. 28, 1835, .	Salisbury, . . .	Grocer & Hardw's Dealer, .	1871.
. . .	William E. Blunt, .	Haverhill, .	Aug. 21, 1840, .	Haverhill, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1871.
2, . . .	Henry O. Burr, .	Haverhill, .	Sept 13, 1829, .	Haverhill, . . .	Book-keeper, . . .	1871.
. . .	S. W. Hopkinson, .	Bradford, . . .	Oct. 1, 1828, .	Bradford, . . .	Real Estate, . . .	1871.
. . .	John K. Tarbox, .	Lawrence, .	May 6, 1838, .	Methuen, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1868.
3, . . .	Robert Bower, .	Lawrence, .	Apr. 6, 1828, .	stock p't, Cheshire, Eng., .	Printer, . . .	1870.
. . .	George E. Davis, .	Lawrence, .	Aug. 6, 1827, .	Portsmouth, N. H., .	Iron Founder, . . .	1871.
4, . . .	Benj. P. Saunders, .	N. Andover, .	Aug. 1, 1823, .	Tewksbury, . . .	Master Machinist, .	1871.

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No. 5,	Stephen Osgood,	Georgetown,	Nov. 16, 1826,	Salisbury,	Merchant Tailor,	1871.
6,	George J. L. Colby,	Newburyport,	Jan. 12, 1819,	Newburyport,	Journalist,	1870.
7,	Nathaniel Pierce,	Newburyport,	Mar. 28, 1823,	Newburyport,	Lawyer,	1871.
8,	Moses H. Fowler,	Newburyport,	Feb. 28, 1829,	Newburyport,	Grocer,	1871.
9,	Edward T. Lyford,	Rowley,	May 6, 1837,	St. Albans, Me.,	Clergyman,	1871.
10,	William A. Pew,	Gloucester,	Aug. 15, 1832,	Gloucester,	—	1870.
11,	Benjamin H. Corliss,	Gloucester,	Sept. 26, 1818,	Gloucester,	Merchant,	1871.
12,	Charles P. Thompson,	Rockport,	Oct. 4, 1837,	Chicopee,	Lawyer,	1871.
13,	George H. Vibbert,	Beverly,	Aug. 16, 1812,	Beverly,	Clergyman,	1871.
14,	John I. Baker,	Beverly,	Dec. 3, 1835,	Danvers,	Shoemaker,	1840.
15,	Nathan H. Webb,	Danvers,	Sept. 5, 1838,	Danvers,	Shoe Cutter,	1870.
16,	George H. Peabody,	Peabody,	Feb. 2, 1830,	Danvers,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1871.
17,	Robert S. Daniels,	Salem,	Apr. 13, 1821,	Salem,	Merchant,	1869.
18,	Samuel Calley,	Salem,	Sept. 7, 1825,	Salem,	Painter,	1870.
19,	Willard P. Phillips,	Salem,	Aug. 23, 1838,	Bradford,	Merchant,	1848.
20,	William Cogswell,	Salem,	Apr. 30, 1828,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1870.
21,	George D. Glover,	Marblehead,	Aug. 26, 1842,	Marblehead,	Shoe Dealer,	1871.
22,	Thomas Swasey, Jr.,	Lynn,	Sept. 21, 1811,	N. Berwick, Me.,	Mechanic,	1870.
23,	Peter M. Neal,	Lynn,	Feb. 9, 1843,	Salem,	Lumber Dealer,	1869.
24,	William R. Melden,	Lynn,	Mar. 4, 1833,	Lynnfield,	News Dealer,	1870.
25,	Orrin Hewes,	Lynn,	Jan. 5, 1835,	Plymouth,	Shoemaker,	1870.
26,	Daniel N. Barrett,	Middleton,	May 10, 1822,	Middleton,	Grocer,	1870.
27,	Hiram A. Stiles,	Middleton,	Aug. 13, 1841,	Plymouth, N. H.,	Farmer,	1871.
28,	Alfred K. Merrill,	Charlestown,	Aug. 10, 1825,	Charlestown,	Machinist,	1871.
29,	Thomas B. Harris,	Charlestown,	Aug. 27, 1833,	Tuftsboro', N. H.,	Merchant,	1870.
30,	Joseph H. Cotton,	Charlestown,	July 18, 1840,	Charlestown,	Lawyer,	1871.
31,	Andrew J. Bailey,	Charlestown,	Aug. 10, 1827,	Charlestown,	Shipwright,	1871.
32,	Israel P. Magoun,	Charlestown,				

MIDDLESEX Co.

No. 1,	Alfred K. Merrill,	Charlestown,	Aug. 13, 1841,	Plymouth, N. H.,	Machinist,	1871.
2,	Thomas B. Harris,	Charlestown,	Aug. 10, 1825,	Charlestown,	Merchant,	1870.
3,	Joseph H. Cotton,	Charlestown,	Aug. 27, 1833,	Tuftsboro', N. H.,	Lawyer,	1871.
4,	Andrew J. Bailey,	Charlestown,	July 18, 1840,	Charlestown,	Lawyer,	1871.
5,	Israel P. Magoun,	Charlestown,	Aug. 10, 1827,	Charlestown,	Shipwright,	1871.

Districts	Name of Representative.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
MIDDLESEX Co.-Con.						
No. 4, . . .	Selwin Z. Bowman, .	Somerville, .	May 11, 1840, .	Charlestown, .	Lawyer, .	1870.
5, . . .	Charles H. Guild, .	Somerville, .	June 11, 1825, .	Roxbury, .	Manuf. & Dealer in Leather, .	1869.
6, . . .	Joseph M. Russell, .	Malden, .	Nov. 24, 1819, .	Westminster, Vt., .	Music Publisher, .	1870.
7, . . .	John S. Cotton, .	Medford, .	Nov. 29, 1830, .	Rumney, N. H., .	Shipwright, .	1871.
8, . . .	Samuel W. Twombly, .	Winchester, .	July 31, 1822, .	Tamworth, N. H., .	Horticulturist & Florist, .	1871.
9, . . .	Charles F. Walcott, .	Cambridge, .	Dec. 22, 1836, .	Hopkinton, .	Lawyer, .	1871.
10, . . .	John McDuffie, .	Cambridge, .	Dec. 23, 1828, .	Cambridge, .	Postmaster, .	1868.
11, . . .	Robert O. Fuller, .	Cambridge, .	Sept. 12, 1829, .	Cambridge, .	Merchant, .	1871.
12, . . .	Curtis C. Nichols, .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 6, 1814, .	Freetown, .	Five Cts. Sav'gs Bk., Boot'n, .	1871.
13, . . .	Ezra Parmenter, .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 20, 1823, .	Boston, .	Physician, .	1871.
14, . . .	James J. Walworth, .	Newton, .	Nov. 18, 1808, .	Canaan, N. H., .	Engineer & Merch't., .	1869.
15, . . .	George H. Howe, .	Brighton, .	Apr. 2, 1822, .	Roxbury, .	Auctioneer, .	1871.
16, . . .	A. L. Richards, .	Watertown, .	7, 1834, .	Boston, .	-	1871.
17, . . .	Thomas Hill, .	Waltham, .	Jan. 7, 1818, .	N. Brunswick, N. J., .	Clergyman, .	1871.
18, . . .	William Nutt, .	Natick, .	Aug. 5, 1836, .	Topsfield, Vt., .	Lawyer, .	1871.
19, . . .	Joseph Dowse, Jr., .	Sherborn, .	Apr. 10, 1822, .	Sherborn, .	Leather Cutter, .	1871.
20, . . .	J. Newton Pike, .	Ashland, .	Aug. 24, 1824, .	Hopkinton, .	Clerk & Manufacturer, .	1871.
21, . . .	Theodore C. Hurd, .	Frammingham, .	Jan. 19, 1837, .	Newton, .	Lawyer, .	1867.
22, . . .	Samuel Howe, .	Marlborough, .	Oct. 26, 1826, .	Bolton, .	Mechanic, .	1871.
23, . . .	Paul Hayward, .	Boxborough, .	Oct. 18, 1828, .	Boxborough, .	Farmer, .	1871.
24, . . .	George W. Gates, .	Acton, .	Dec. 28, 1810, .	Stow, .	Millwrt & Carpenter, .	1871.
25, . . .	Edwin Wheeler, .	Concord, .	Oct. 19, 1817, .	Concord, .	Farmer, .	1871.
26, . . .	Humphrey Prescott, .	Carlsale, .	Feb. 26, 1814, .	Concord, .	Farmer, .	1871.
27, . . .	Edward E. Thompson, .	Woburn, .	Dec. 18, 1826, .	Woburn, .	Merchant, .	1871.

No. 28,	James C. Currier,	Melrose,	1807,	Salisbury,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1871.
24,	E. H. Walton,	Wakefield,	July 4, 1823,	South Reading,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1871.
25,	Lemuel C. Eames,	Wilmington,	Dec. 7, 1818,	Wilmington,	Farmer,	1850.
26,	Edwin K. Parkhurst,	Chelmsford,	Feb. 28, 1828,	Chelmsford,	Carpenter,	1871.
27,	Jonathan P. Folson,	Lowell,	Oct. 9, 1820,	Tanworth, N. H.,	Merchant,	1871.
28,	George F. Scribner,	Lowell,	Oct. 16, 1830,	Chelsea, Vt.,	Contractor,	1871.
29,	Stephen Wallace,	Lowell,	Sept. 30, 1814,	Meredith, N. H.,	Master Mason,	1870.
30,	William H. Anderson,	Lowell,	Jan. 12, 1836,	Londonderry, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1871.
31,	Willard A. Brown,	Lowell,	Feb. 25, 1828,	Oxford,	Leather Dealer,	1871.
32,	James T. Burnap,	Dunstable,	July 31, 1827,	Chester, Vt.,	Agent,	1871.
	Albert Leighton,	Pepperell,	June 21, 1818,	Westford,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1868.
	Benjamin F. Lewis,	Townsend,	July 26, 1816,	Townsend,	Farmer,	1871.
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Orlando Mason,	Winchendon,	June 8, 1824,	Sullivan, N. H.,	Manufacturer,	1871.
2,	Ozi Kendall,	Athol,	Sept. 15, 1810,	Athol,	Boot Manufacturer,	1871.
3,	Levi Heywood,	Gardner,	Dec. 10, 1800,	Gardner,	Chair Manufacturer,	1871.
4,	James G. Smith,	Phillipston,	Dec. 22, 1820,	Phillipston,	Farmer,	1871.
	N. L. Johnson,	Dana,	May 30, 1822,	Dana,	Manufacturer,	1867.
5,	Charles H. Merriam,	Leominster,	Mar. 1, 1822,	Westport, N. Y.,	Lawyer,	1869.
	Henry A. Goodrich,	Fitchburg,	Nov. 21, 1830,	Fitchburg,	Merchant,	1870.
6,	George E. Towne,	Fitchburg,	Sept. 2, 1829,	Fitchburg,	Chair Manufacturer,	1868.
7,	George A. Parker,	Lancaster,	May 9, 1822,	Concord, N. H.,	Civil Engineer,	1870.
8,	Elisha Brimhall,	Clinton,	Mar. 25, 1825,	Oakham,	Merchant,	1871.
9,	Stephen Holt,	W. Boylston,	Nov. 12, 1820,	Holden,	Farmer,	1871.
	Isaac N. Ross,	Holden,	Aug. 22, 1824,	Hanover, N. H.,	Farmer & Manufact'r,	1871.
10,	Charles L. Putnam,	Worcester,	Sept. 9, 1810,	Chesterfield, N. H.,	Insurance & Banking,	1871.
	Lewis Barnard,	Worcester,	May 15, 1816,	Worcester,	Merchant,	1871.
	William Mulligan,	Paxton,	Jan. 23, 1823,	Boston,	Mechanic,	1862.

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WORCESTER Co.—Con.						
No. 11, . . .	Thomas Gates, . . .	Worcester, . . .	June 12, 1822, . . .	Caroline, N. Y., . . .	Provision Dealer, . . .	1870.
12, . . .	Joseph R. Torrey, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Aug. 23, 1828, . . .	New Salem, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1871.
13, . . .	John S. Baldwin, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Jan. 6, 1834, . . .	New Haven, Conn., . . .	Editor and Publisher, . . .	1871.
14, . . .	J. S. Nelson, . . .	Grafton, . . .	June 2, 1822, . . .	Shrewsbury, . . .	Shoe Manufacturer, . . .	1871.
15, . . .	Arthur G. Biscoe, . . .	Westborough, . . .	May 26, 1842, . . .	Grafton, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1871.
16, . . .	Davis P. Gray, . . .	Northbridge, . . .	Sept. 4, 1827, . . .	Easton, . . .	Supt. Iron Foundry, . . .	1871.
17, . . .	Bainbridge Hayward, . . .	Milford, . . .	Aug. 2, 1813, . . .	Upton, . . .	Boot Manufacturer, . . .	1870.
18, . . .	Lawrence Reade, . . .	Milford, . . .	Aug. 25, 1835, . . .	Kilkenny, Ireland, . . .	Real Estate, . . .	1871.
19, . . .	Lyman Paine, . . .	Blackstone, . . .	Apr. 7, 1806, . . .	Mendon, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1871.
20, . . .	William L. Davis, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Mar. 28, 1838, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1871.
21, . . .	E. H. Hutchinson, . . .	Sutton, . . .	Aug. 22, 1821, . . .	Fishkill, N. Y., . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
22, . . .	Thomas H. Meek, . . .	Douglas, . . .	Jan. 30, 1840, . . .	Southbridge, . . .	Book-keeper, . . .	1871.
23, . . .	John O. McKinstry, . . .	Southbridge, . . .	Mar. 18, 1824, . . .	Wales, . . .	Dry Goods, . . .	1868.
24, . . .	Alfred E. Fiske, . . .	Charlton, . . .	Apr. 18, 1830, . . .	Woburn, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1871.
25, . . .	Martin L. Richardson, . . .	Sturbridge, . . .	June 12, 1817, . . .	Enosburg, Vt., . . .	Clergyman, . . .	1871.
26, . . .	George S. Duell, . . .	Brookfield, . . .	Sept. 20, 1815, . . .	Enfield, . . .	Conveyancer, . . .	1871.
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	William F. Arnold, . . .	Northampton, . . .	Sept. 2, 1821, . . .	Chester, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1858.
2, . . .	Samuel B. Quigley, . . .	Southampton, . . .	Mar. 26, 1842, . . .	Plainfield, . . .	Farmer & Whip Manufacturer, . . .	1871.
3, . . .	Stephen Hayward, Jr., . . .	Plainfield, . . .	Jan. 18, 1828, . . .	Hatfield, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
4, . . .	Elisha Hubbard, . . .	Hatfield, . . .	June 22, 1831, . . .	Amherst, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
5, . . .	Avery R. Cushman, . . .	Amherst, . . .	Apr. 22, 1822, . . .	Belchertown, . . .	Paper Manufacturer, . . .	1871.
6, . . .	Phineas Bridgman, . . .	Belchertown, . . .	Oct. 28, 1828, . . .	Greenwich, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1871.
7, . . .	Sylvester F. Root, . . .	Greenwich, . . .			Merchant & P. M., . . .	1871.

HAMPTON COUNTY.		
No. 1.	George L. Webber,	Holland,
2.	Ebenezer Brown,	Palmer,
3.	Emerson Wight,	Springfield,
4.	Justin M. Cooley,	Springfield,
5.	Gurdon Bill,	Springfield,
6.	Joseph M. Hall,	Springfield,
7.	Charles A. Corser,	Holyoke,
8.	Henry H. Harris,	Chicopee,
9.	Geo C. S. Southw'ith,	W. Springfield,
	Silas Noble,	Granville,
	Alexander McKenzie,	Westfield,
	Lafayette Granger,	Tolland,
FRANKLIN COUNTY.		
No. 1.	John D. Flagg,	Orange,
2.	A. K. Haskell,	Wendell,
3.	Samuel S. Eastman,	Greenfield,
4.	Leonard Barton,	Gill,
5.	Harvey Severance,	Deerfield,
	Levi Gardner,	Ashfield,
	Samuel P. Everett,	Rowe,
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.		
No. 1.	Calvin R. Taft,	Williamstown,
2.	Henry J. Barker,	Adams,
3.	Frederick P. Brown,	Adams,
4.	Ensign H. Kellogg,	Pittsfield,
	Zenas Crane, Jr.,	Dalton,
	Henry A. Bidwell,	Becket,

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Districts.	Name of Representative.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st year in Leg.
BERKSHIRE Co.—Con.						
No. 5, . . .	Henry J. Dunham, . .	Stockbridge, . .	June 26, 1832, . .	Savoy, . .	Lawyer, . .	1871.
6, . . .	Prestis C. Baird, . .	Lee, . .	Sept. 30, 1832, . .	Becket, . .	Paper Manufacturer, . .	1871.
7, . . .	Irwin D. W. Baldwin, . .	Egremont, . .	Jan. 21, 1815, . .	Monterey, . .	Chair Manufacturer, . .	1871.
8, . . .	H. D. Sisson, . .	N. Marlboro', . .	Dec. 8, 1836, . .	New Marlboro', . .	Lumber Dealer, . .	1871.
NORFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	John R. Bullard, . .	Dedham, . .	Mar. 3, 1846, . .	Brooklyn, N. Y., . .	Lawyer, . .	1868.
2, . . .	John W. McKim, . .	W. Roxbury, . .	Nov. 25, 1822, . .	Charlestown, . .	Lawyer, . .	1870.
3, . . .	Moody Merrill, . .	Boston, . .	June 27, 1836, . .	Plymouth, N. H., . .	Lawyer, . .	1869.
4, . . .	Charles H. Hovey, . .	Boston, . .	Mar. 28, 1830, . .	Boston, . .	Pharmacist, . .	1869.
5, . . .	George Putnam, . .	Boston, . .	Aug. 16, 1807, . .	Sterling, . .	Clergynan, . .	1870.
6, . . .	Benjamin Franklin, . .	Boston, . .	Oct. 1, 1813, . .	Guilford, Vt., . .	Stable Keeper, . .	1869.
7, . . .	Laban Pratt, . .	Boston, . .	Nov. 7, 1829, . .	Weymouth, . .	Lumber Dealer, . .	1871.
8, . . .	Henry S. Adams, . .	Hyde Park, . .	Aug. 8, 1832, . .	Derry, N. H., . .	Cashier, . .	1871.
9, . . .	John Quincy Adams, . .	Quincy, . .	Sept. 22, 1833, . .	Boston, . .	Lawyer, . .	1866.
10, . . .	Asa T. Pratt, . .	Braintree, . .	Dec. 10, 1820, . .	Boston, . .	Builder, . .	1871.
11, . . .	Edward Lewis, . .	Weymouth, . .	Aug. 28, 1831, . .	Bristol, Me., . .	Calfskin Cutter, . .	1865.
12, . . .	Eben Tirrell, Jr., . .	Weymouth, . .	Mar. 26, 1844, . .	East Weymouth, . .	Theological Student, . .	1871.
13, . . .	Daniel Howard, . .	Randolph, . .	June 11, 1823, . .	Randolph, . .	Boot & Shoe Man. & Dealer, . .	1859.
14, . . .	Samuel L. Crane, . .	Stoughton, . .	May 28, 1821, . .	East Stoughton, . .	Mechanic, . .	1871.
15, . . .	David W. Tucker, . .	Milton, . .	—, 1820, . .	Milton, . .	Farmer, . .	1871.
16, . . .	James S. Shepard, . .	Canton, . .	Mar. 31, 1815, . .	Foxborough, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1871.
17, . . .	George P. Metcalf, . .	Medway, . .	May 17, 1834, . .	Medway, . .	Manuf. of Straw Goods, . .	1871.
18, . . .	Lowell R. Blake, . .	Wrentham, . .	Feb. 15, 1815, . .	Wrentham, . .	Farmer, . .	1871.
19, . . .	Joseph A. Woodward, . .	Franklin, . .	Sept. 9, 1823, . .	Franklin, . .	Assistant Postmaster, . .	1874.

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PLYMOUTH Co.—Con.						
No. 7.	Alden Besse.	Wareham.	Apr. 9, 1821.	Wareham.	Master Mariner.	1871.
8.	Cephas Haskins.	Lakeville.	July 25, 1825.	Middleborough.	Postmaster.	1871.
9.	Henry H. Shaw.	Middleboro'.	Dec. 7, 1818.	Middleborough.	Express.	1870.
10.	Lloyd Parsons.	Bridgewater.	May 13, 1816.	Middleborough.	Cotton Gin Manuf'r.	1870.
11.	Welcome H. Wales.	N. Bridgew'r.	Jan. 20, 1820.	N. Bridgewater.	Town Cl'k & Collec'r.	1889.
12.	James S. Allen.	E. Bridgew'r.	July 3, 1831.	E. Bridgewater.	Shoe Manf & Dealer.	1894.
	Franklin P. Harlow.	Abington.	Nov. 7, 1828.	Springfield, Vt.	Mechanic.	1871.
	Albert F. Kelley.	Abington.	May 17, 1840.	Chelmsford.	Dry Goods Merch't.	1871.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY						
No. 1.	Henry Goodspeed.	Barnstable.	Nov. 18, 1834.	Osterville.	Farmer.	1870.
2.	Ezra C. Howard.	Sandwich.	Sept. 1, 1831.	Sandwich.	Iron Founder.	1871.
3.	John B. D. Cogswell.	Yarmouth.	June 6, 1829.	Yarmouth.	Lawyer.	1857.
4.	Joseph K. Baker.	Dennis.	Oct. 8, 1827.	Dennis.	Merchant.	1870.
	Erastus Chase.	Harwich.	May 26, 1826.	W. Harwich.	Merchant.	1871.
	Thomas Holway.	Chatham.	Nov. 7, 1825.	Chatham.	Fishing.	1870.
	Joseph P. Johnson.	Provincetown.	July 18, 1818.	Essex, Conn.	Auctioneer.	1850.
	George T. Weyer.	Wellfleet.	Mar. 16, 1832.	Provincetown.	Dentist.	1870.
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Nath'l M. Jernegan.	Edgartown.	Aug. 7, 1820.	Edgartown.	Master Mariner.	1871.
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Robert F. Gardner.	Nantucket.	Feb. 15, 1815.	Nantucket.	Merchant.	1871.

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st year in office.
William S. Robinson, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Malden,	Dec. 7, 1818,	Concord,	1862.
Charles C. Sowell, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Medfield,	May 10, 1802,	Marblehead,	1871.

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THE OATH OF OFFICE.

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I, (repeating your name,) do solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, do solemnly swear and affirm, that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a Representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, do solemnly swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name,) do solemnly affirm, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do, under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, do solemnly affirm, that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a Representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do, under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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